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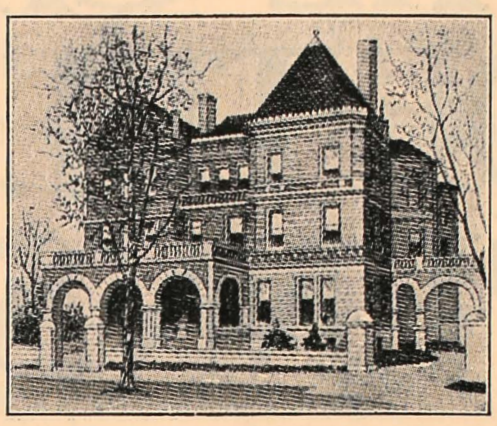

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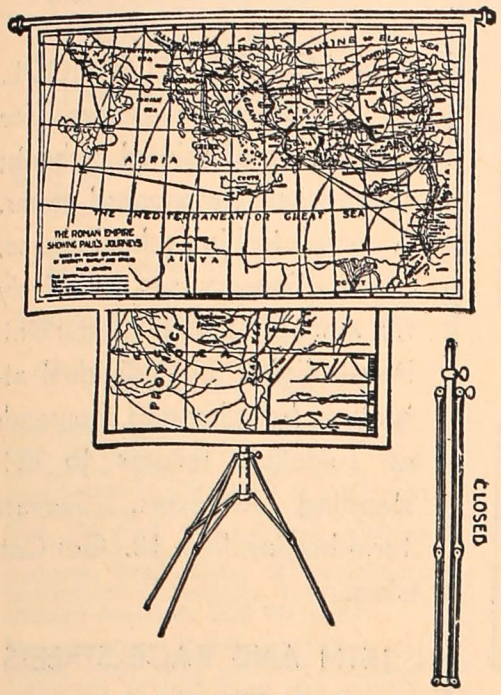

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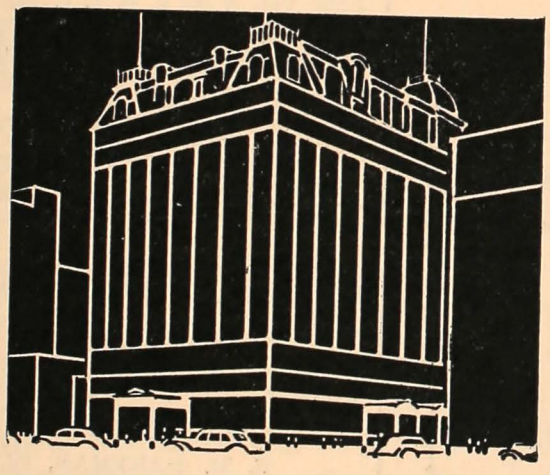

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Review of the 151st Annual Diocesan Convention

(The full text of the Bishop's Annual Address to the Convention, read by him at the Pre-Convention Diocesan Mass Meeting on Monday night, May 6, is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

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Probably the most important single piece of legislation enacted by the 151st Annual Diocesan Convention at its meeting on Tuesday, May 7, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets, was the unanimous approval of Canonical changes recommended by the Special Committee on Financial Safeguards appointed pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Convention of 1934.

Hereafter, under new Sections of the Canon "On Business Methods in Church Affairs," all non-Parochial organizations operating under the auspices of the Church in this Diocese, other than those already established pursuant to Canon or dependent upon Convention, will be called upon to conform to such financial safeguards and practices as may be prescribed by Canon or determined by the Executive Council of the Diocese through its Department of Finance.

Minimum of Debate

In a general way this year's meeting of the Clerical and Lay Deputies was taken up largely with the routine business of Convention, and was characterized by a minimum of debate. With the exception of the periods given over to hearing a stirring Missionary address by the Rt. Rev. Frederick B. Bartlett, Missionary Bishop of North Dakota and Executive Secretary of the Domestic Missions Division of the National Council, and an equally illuminating and compelling address on the fight for reforms in the motion picture industry by the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, Executive Secretary of the National Department of Christian Social Service, almost the entire time of the Convention was given over to reports. These latter were interspersed with statements showing that some of the important work in the Diocese is being seriously handicapped through lack of financial support.

Apart from the Convention itself, the Pre-Convention Diocesan Mass Meeting on Monday night brought out a congregation that almost filled the Church of the Holy Trinity. The Bishop read his Annual Address to the Convention at this meeting, and those who came were also rewarded by hearing an inspiring address by the Rt. Rev. George Craig Stewart, Bishop of Chicago, in which he appealed for a united and aggressive action to carry forward the missionary work of the Church.

Bishop's Dinner to Deputies

Prior to Monday night's Mass Meeting Bishop Taitt had the Clerical and Lay Deputies, Bishop Stewart, and several other friends, as his guests at dinner in the Penn Athletic Club. Bishop Bartlett was unable to be present at the dinner as his engagements made it impossible for him to come to the city before Tuesday.

The addresses at the Mass Meeting were preceded by a brief religious service conducted by the Rev. Howard R. Weir, Rector of Holy Trinity. The singing was led by the Choir of St. Alban's, Roxborough, and the Rev. N. Herbert Caley, Rector of St. Alban's, was the organist.

Throughout the reading of his annual address, the Bishop of the Diocese was given the closest attention as he rendered a report of his stewardship, and noted that notwithstanding reduced budgets not a single Mission in the Diocese had been closed nor one Missionary dismissed.

The Bishop also pointed out that attendance at church services had increased, and a larger number of persons were present at the Good Friday services than a year ago, and that the number of communicants who had received the Blessed Sacrament on Easter Day was also larger than in 1934. The Bishop also made a special appeal for the Philadelphia Divinity School and for all the institutions and organizations of the Diocese which are doing their work under difficult and trying conditions. As has been previously noted in this article the Bishop's address is printed in full on other pages in this issue of THE CHURCH NEWS.

Suggests Commemoration

In his address the Bishop suggested a commemoration in this city next fall of the 150th Anniversary of the Convention which met in Old Christ Church in 1785, sometimes called the "First General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America." The Bishop suggested appointment of a committee of Clergy and Laity from the churches in this Diocese who were represented at the 1785 Convention, and who might associate with them, the Bishops, Clergy and Laymen from other parts of Pennsylvania, and the other six states which were also represented in the 1785 Assembly, to properly celebrate the First General Convention.

Just before the final adjournment of Convention a resolution was adopted approving the Bishop's suggestion.

Following the Service of the Holy Communion which opened the Convention on Tuesday morning, and at which the Bishop was the Celebrant, the Convention organized by the re-election of the Rev. Richard J. Morris as Secretary and the Rev. Charles H. Long as Assistant Secretary.

Action On Clerical Salaries

Among the first reports to be presented was that of the Commission Clerical Salaries and Pensions. Close interest and attention was given the summary of this report submitted by the Rev. Francis C. Hartshorne, who became Chairman following the death last July of the Rev. Dr. Gilbert E. Pember. It will be recalled that at the last Convention there was a spirited debate over the question of transferring the functions of the Commission to the Executive Council. Instead, it was then agreed that the Executive Council should be represented on the Commission by three members chosen by the Council.

In this year's report, which was full of detailed information relating to the various questions and problems which

had occupied the attention of the Commission during the year, attention was called to the beneficial results of the added assistance and advice of the Executive Council representatives, and it was stated that the co-operation between the Council and the Commission had been all that could be desired.

In order that the Deputies might have the opportunity to become familiar with the many questions and problems which had engaged the attention of the Commission, the latter body had printed its report and distributed it to all the Deputies in advance of the Convention. This saved considerable time in the presentation of the summary by the Chairman.

The recommendations submitted by the Commission related entirely to the matter of Clerical Salaries paid through the Sustentation Fund. The new and probably most important of the recommendations was in the form of a Standing Resolution. As presented by the Commission it read as follows:

Recommendation Offered

"RESOLVED, That where a parish becomes vacant through the death or resignation or removal of its Rector the Commission may, for sufficient cause and with the approval of the Bishop, notify the vestry thereof that no appropriation will be made by the Commission to enable the vestry to elect and support a Rector, but that if they will waive, for a limited period, the right to elect a Rector, and will consent to the Bishop appointing a Priest-in-Charge, the Commission will help in paying his salary."

In this form the resolution met with some objections. The Rev. W. Reese Scott, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, felt that it should be made clear that the resolution applies only to an aided parish "which now receives aid from the Sustentation Fund and cannot pay at least $1,200 towards its Rector's salary." This was acceptable to the Commission and the new Standing Resolution was unanimously approved, with the suggested clause after the word "parish" in the first line.

It was of interest to note that when a suggestion was made that the entire report be printed in the Journal the Rev. Dr. Grammer, who led in last year's effort to have the Executive Council represented on the Commission, offered the motion for printing the report in the Journal.

Resolution Meets Objections

Following the report of the Cathedral Chapter a resolution presented by Mr. Reynolds D. Brown would have the Convention express its belief that the Cathedral Foundation might be helpful, if requested by any down-town parish, in solution of its problems. Opposition immediately developed.

The resolution submitted by Mr. Brown was as follows:

"WHEREAS, It is generally known that a number of our down-town Parishes are encountering new and difficult problems, due principally to the removal from their neighborhood of many former parishioners; and

"WHEREAS, The solution of such problems might be much aided by the advice and cooperation of some Diocesan authority, representing the point of view of churchmen outside of the Parishes themselves; and

"WHEREAS, It is believed that the Cathedral Foundation is naturally concerned in the right solution of those problems of the Church, and is peculiarly qualified to represent the Diocesan viewpoint;

"RESOLVED, That this Convention believes that it will aid in the solution of such problems for the Cathedral Foundation to confer with the Vestries of any Parishes who may ask its assistance, and to give such Vestries the benefit of its experience and judgment."

The Rev. Charles E. Eder, Dean of Germantown Convocation, was the first to rise with an inquiry as to why the Executive Council of the Diocese should not be the medium through which a Parish might ask for help or advice.

Dr. Grammer followed in opposition to the resolution offered by Mr. Brown and proposed an amendment inserting "Executive Council" in place of "Cathedral Foundation." Speaking to his amendment Dr. Grammer said the proposed resolution did not mean anything; that any Parish had the right to ask advice from any source it desired and that no resolution could affect that right. Dr. Mockridge and Mr. Brown both spoke in favor of the Brown resolution, and pointed out that through the Cathedral Foundation it would be possible to call into consultation specially equipped men.

A vote was taken on the amendment offered by Dr. Grammer and it was passed. On the vote to adopt the resolution as amended it was defeated, Dr. Grammer and many of the others who had supported the amendment offered by the Rector of St. Stephen's Church, voting against the resolution as amended.

Safeguarding of Finances

It was at this point in the Convention program that the report of the Special Committee on Financial Safeguards was presented by its Chairman, Mr. Spencer Ervin, Vice Chairman of the Executive Council. The other members of this Special Committee comprised the Rev. Dr. L. Gouverneur Morris, the Rev. Howard R. Weir and Messrs. Samuel F. Houston and Henry R. Robins. The Committee was not empowered to deal with Parishes and excepted Missions for Worship from the scope of its inqury, as the latter are under the Bishop and the Department of Missions. Its inquiry and study was limited to "non-Parochial Institutions, Societies, Committees and other organizations operating in the Diocese under the auspices of the Protestant Episcopal Church."

In the course of its inquiry the Committee listed non-Parochial organizations into four groups, as follows:

(1) Committees, Commissions, Boards, Funds, Trusts, etc., established pursuant to a Diocesan, Canon, or otherwise dependent upon Convention.

(2) Diocesan Missions for Worship (as distinguished from Missions to the blind, deaf, prisoners, etc.).

(3) Woman's Auxiliary Committees.

(4) Other non-Parochial organizations, corporations, associations, boards, funds, societies, or committees, some of long standing, established under the secular law and conducting under the auspices of the Episcopal Church, benevolent or administrative activities of various kinds.

Over those listed in (1) and (2) mentioned above, the Committee decided the Convention or the Bishop has sufficient control.

As to (3) the Committee reported that while authority is lacking over the Woman's Auxiliary Committees, these are so close to the Diocese and so eager to co-operate and to aid, that no practical difficulty arises in regard to them.

Diocesan Control Lacking

It is with regard to organizations established under the secular law, listed in (4), that the report stated Diocesan power is both lacking and needed.

"We do not mean to imply," the report said, "that any of the organizations of this class now in existence has refused to co-operate with our inquiry. We have had a splendid co-operation. But it is a fact that any three or four people can form under the secular law a corporation or association for some benevolent purpose; hold themselves out as operating under the auspices of the Episcopal Church; collect money contributions from our communicants, and absolutely refuse all Diocesan control and supervision."

In general, the report stated, the larger organizations have established and maintain what appear to be careful financial practices, but not a few organizations with considerable sums in current funds and securities fail to provide the following:

"Safe custody of securities (having them in the treasurer's office, or in a safe-deposit box to which the treasurer alone has access).

"Safeguarding current funds (treas-

urer or other drawing officers not bonded, or insufficiently bonded).

"Supervision of investments (no periodical review of mortgage, bond, or stock holdings to determine soundness).

"Audits (none made, or made only at irregular intervals, or by unqualified persons or covering too limited a field)."

Following Mr. Ervin's summary the recommended Canonical regulations were given unanimous approval.

New Canonical Regulations

Two new sections were added to the Canon "On Business Methods in Church Affairs" under a sub-caption applying to "Organizations other than Parishes and Congregations."

The first of these two new Sections reads as follows:

"1. All organizations of whatever category under the secular law, other than Parishes and Church congregations, which have their existence or conduct their operations within the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and which hold themselves out as maintained for benevolent, administrative or other purposes under the auspices of the Protestant Episcopal Church shall, if they desire to continue to operate under such auspices and to be recognized by this Diocese as meeting its requirements;

"(a) Make formal declaration of their adherence to the Doctrine and Worship of this Church, and of their submission to its Discipline and Canons:

"(b) Declare their willingness to conform to such financial safeguards and practices as may from time to time be prescribed by the Canons adopted by the General Convention or by the Convention of this Diocese, or called for by the Executive Council of this Diocese under the provisions of the next section."

In the Section following the above, the Executive Council is directed as soon as practicable after the 1935 Convention to bring the requirements of the previous Section to the notice of all organizations described therein, and to invite them to make the declarations called for. The Council is directed also to furnish the Department of Finance with a certified copy of such declarations. It is further directed that lists of organizations which have met the requirements shall be published annually in the Journal of the Diocese and in THE CHURCH NEWS of the Diocese.

Immediately following the Noon Intercessions the report of the Diocesan Field Department was the special order, and after its presentation by the Rev. Dr. Snowden, the Chairman, he presented Bishop Bartlett to the Convention.

Time Out for Lunch

During the recess which followed Bishop Bartlett's address the Deputies had ample opportunity for the enjoyment of all the "things good to eat" which the Committee on Arrangements had provided, and there was no hurrying to perform the customary duty of balloting for offices. There were no offices to be filled which required the casting of ballots by the Deputies. For the first time in the history of any Convention, so far as the memory of many present could recall, only enough names had been placed in nomination earlier in the day to fill all the offices. Under these circumstances when the time was reached for closing nominations, the Secretary of the Convention had the distinction of casting the vote for all those who had been nominated.

Virtually the entire afternoon session was given over to reports. The Hon. Clinton Rogers Woodruff reviewed the work of the Department of Christian Social Service and Institutions; among other things calling attention to the Department's effort on behalf of the Hasty Marriage Bill; its emphatic protest against the group of horse racing and lottery measures now pending in the State Legislature, and of its efforts to push forward the movement for better motion picture films.

Mr. Woodruff stated that the Hasty Marriage bill had passed both branches of the Legislature and was then in the hands of Governor Earle. He urged that the members of the Convention communicate with the Governor and ask him to approve this bill, Mr. Woodruff pointing out that powerful influences are now at work endeavoring to influence the Governor to veto the bill. Mr. Woodruff, at the conclusion of his report, presented the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, who at this point made his address referred to previously in this review.

Church Training School

Archdeacon Bullitt, on behalf of the Church Training and Deaconess School of which he is a member of the faculty, drew attention to the great contribution this institution of the Diocese is making, not only to the Diocese, but to the Church at large. Incidentally the Archdeacon pointed out that its value is recognized far beyond the limits of our own Diocese.

"Last year," the Archdeacon said, "thirteen Dioceses were represented in the enrollment of students, and this year eleven Dioceses, ranging from Maine to Alabama and as far west as Missouri, are represented. The fact is," he added, "the School seems almost better known beyond the limits of this Diocese than within."

During its 45 years of history, he stated, 450 women have been enrolled as resident students, over 200 of whom have gone into the mission fields. The School exists to serve the Diocese and the Church at large. The courses are open to day students upon registration at a small fee of one dollar per subject.

'It is the desire of the Managers," continued the Archdeacon, "that the School shall be better known and more freely used by Church members of our own Diocese. Every parish, whether or not it can afford a paid trained worker, would be benefited by having one or more women who had studied at this Church Training School, and who were using the knowledge thus acquired, in teaching in their Parish Church School, conducting activities among the young people, or in parochial visiting. We urge Rectors to go and see the School, to send for the outline of courses of study, then to choose certain women of their parishes to enroll as day students for one or more courses."

Appeal for City Mission

The Rev. Dr. Washburn presented the report of the City Mission, and made an earnest appeal to the Convention that its needs be met so that it may be able to adequately function. He drew a word picture of the difficulties the City Mission is having in doing its work by reason of reduced financial resources and asked of the Convention what it wanted the City Mission to do. He told of a debt of $6,500; of an effort to raise $2,300 for equipment for the Home for Consumptives and of the receipt of $150 in response to an appeal sent out by Dr. Wm. H. Jefferys. Dr. Washburn said the City Mission was compelled to withdraw its Missionaries from nearly half of the 87 institutions throughout the city in which it had been ministering.

Immediately following Dr. Washburn's report a resolution was offered by Dean Eder, which was unanimously approved.

The resolution reads:

"RESOLVED, That this Convention has heard with high appreciation and deep concern the outline of the extensive activities and the pressing financial difficulties of the City Mission, and requests the Deputies, Clerical and Lay, to call the attention of their congregations and friends to those outstanding enterprises, and in particular to the critical needs of the Home for Consumptives and of the Court Work, as set forth in the City Missionary."

Copies of the "City Missionary," the publication of our City Mission, had been distributed throughout the Convention. Other members of the Church desiring copies may obtain them for the asking at the headquarters of the City Mission, 225 S. Third Street.

Parish Missionary Offerings

Another resolution presented by Archdeacon Bullitt, which the Convention approved, recommended that there be two treasurers in each Parish and Mission, so that one may handle all money contributed for Parish purposes and the other keep an account of and forward all extra-Parochial missionary offerings. For some years efforts have been made to have Parish treasurers remit monthly to the Diocesan Treasurer's office all missionary offerings received by such treasurers but in only a few instances has this co-operation been given. The Treasurer's report showed that in 1934 only one Parish had made monthly remittances; 48 made remittances only twice during the entire year and 33 only made remittances once.

Immediately before the adjournment of the Convention its greetings were extended to the representatives of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel of the Church of England, now in America. This was done through a resolution presented by Dr. Washburn and which reads as follows:

"WHEREAS, Throughout the Eighteenth Century the Church in this Colony was in continuous receipt of the nursing care of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel: and

"WHEREAS, At the present time two distinguished representatives of that venerable and increasingly vigorous Society are visiting several of our sister Dioceses; therefore be it

"RESOLVED, That this Convention send its cordial greetings to Canon Stacy Waddy, D.D., Secretary of the Society, and Sir Edward C. Midwinter, K.B.E., of London; and express our hope that they will be able to favor us with an opportunity to extend to them such courtesies as would prove agreeable to them."

LENTEN OFFERING TOTAL NOT YET AVAILABLE

Owing in all probability to the lateness of Easter this year, reports of the Lenten Offerings have been slow in reaching the Diocesan Treasurer's Office.

As a consequence it has not been possible for the Treasurer's Office to give the total at this time.

Up to the time THE CHURCH NEWS went to press remittances had been made by 97 of the total number of parishes and missions in the Diocese. The amount received from these 97 totalled $16,892.21.

The Financial Secretary reports that in many cases where remittances have been made there is a slight increase over the total of the offerings received from these same parishes and missions a year ago.

The Financial Secretary requests that those parishes and missions which have not yet remitted their offerings, do so at the earliest opportunity, so that a complete report can be made at the next meeting of the Executive Council.

CHAPEL AT ST. ANDREW'S IS DEDICATED AS MEMORIAL TO LATE REV. WM. J. COX

The Rev. Dr. Rolfe P. Crum, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, 36th and Baring Streets, on Sunday, April 28th, officiated at the Dedication of a Chapel in the East Transept of the church, given by the parishioners and other friends of the late Rev. William J. Cox as a Memorial to the former Rector. The Rev. Dr. Leicester C. Lewis, Rector of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, preached the Memorial Sermon and spoke of the splendid example of Mr. Cox's ministry, covering a period of thirty-four years, of which twenty-one were as Rector of St. Andrew's, West Philadelphia. Dr. Crum also read a letter from the Rev. Dr. Royden Keith Yerkes, of the Philadelphia Divinity School, for many years an intimate personal friend of Mr. Cox, and in which Dr. Yerkes paid a high tribute to Mr. Cox as a man, a Churchman, a minister and a friend.

The gift included a carved oak Altar, Tabernacle, Reredos, Screen, Credence Table and Communion Rail. The brass Cross was the gift of Mrs. Cox and the children. All of Mr. Cox's ministry in this Diocese was in West Philadelphia, where he first served as Vicar of Grace Chapel, from 1908 to 1911, when he accepted a call to St. Andrew's. While at St. Andrew's he served for a number of years as Dean of the West Philadelphia Convocation. Mr. Cox passed away on January 2nd, 1932.

He began his ministry in 1898, when he was ordained by the Bishop of Nova Scotia. For several years he served as Chaplain of the 20th Canadian Contingent in South Africa, and from 1901 to 1903 was Assistant at St. George's Church, Sydney, Nova Scotia. For the next three years he served as Garrison Chaplain of His Majesty's forces at Halifax, Nova Scotia, when he was called to be Assistant at St. Thomas Church, Washington, D. C., leaving there in 1908 to begin his ministry in this Diocese.

ATTENTION OF CLERGY

Any member of the Clergy of the Diocese who desires information as to his standing in the Pension Fund may obtain the desired information at the Executive Office in the Church House. While Pension bills are now being sent direct from the home office of the Church Pension Fund in New York and payments are made direct to that office, monthly reports are forwarded to the Diocesan Commission at the Church House here, so that members of the Clergy have the opportunity to know just how they stand in regard to the payment of premiums.

DR. GRAMMER TO ADDRESS WHITSUNTIDE CONFERENCE OF LIBERAL EVANGELICALS

The Rev. Dr. Carl E. Grammer, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Tenth Street above Chestnut, will be one of the speakers at the Whitsuntide Conference of The Liberal Evangelicals, which will be held in St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, Mass., June 10 to June 12, inclusive. It will be the Third Annual Assembly of the organization.

Prior to the Conference sessions in St. Paul's Cathedral the Annual Dinner will be given on Monday evening, June 10, in the Boston City Club at which the Rev. Dr. Howard Chandler Robbins, the Chairman, will review the work and progress of the past year. Addresses at the Dinner will be made by Bishop Sherrill, of Massachusetts; Bishop Lawrence, retired Bishop of Massachusetts, and Bishop Hobson, of Southern Ohio.

Tuesday's program will begin with a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M. in the Cathedral. The Rev. Dr. W. Russell Bowie, Rector of Grace Church, N. Y., will be Chairman of the morning Conference session at which Dr. Grammer and the Rev. Dr. William Adams Brown, of Union Theological Seminary, N. Y., will speak on the subject "Non-Episcopal Orders." This will be followed by a discussion. The afternoon topic will be "The Social Implications of Liberal Evangelicalism." The Rev. Dr. Frank H. Nelson, Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and the Rev. Elmore McN. McKee, Rector of Trinity Church, Buffalo, will be the speakers. The Rev. Dr. Harold A. Priciard, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mt. Kisco, N. Y., and Canon of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, will be the preacher at the night Conference Service in the Cathedral.

"Where Do We Stand" is the topic for the Wednesday morning session. Dr. Robbins will be Chairman of this meeting. The speakers will be the Very Rev. Arthur B. Kinsolving II, Dean of the Cathedral of the Incarnation, Long Island; the Rev. Anson P. Stokes, Jr., of St. Mark's Church, Shreveport, La.; the Rev. Theodore P. Ferris, Grace Church, N. Y. The Conference will close noon with a Service in the Cathedral.

The Rev. W. Brooke Stabler, Chaplain of the University of Pennsylvania, is Secretary of the Conference, and for further information may be reached at 3805 Locust Street, Philadelphia.

Reports Show Large Registration for Summer Conferences

Reports which have come to THE CHURCH NEWS point to an increasing number of adults and young people from this Diocese who are planning to attend Summer School Conferences this year, and those in charge of the Conferences are making every effort to present programs which will meet every requirement of such gatherings. A number of parishes in this, as well as in other Dioceses, are offering part scholarships for the Conference meetings.

The Diocese of Pennsylvania this year will be well represented on the faculty of at least four of the Summer School Conferences. The Rev. N. B. Groton, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, is President of the Blue Mountain Conference, and the Rev. Thomas L. Harris, Rector of the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, and formerly Religious Adviser at Harvard University, is a member of the faculty. Mr. Harris will conduct a course on "The Acts of the Apostles" and, in addition, will conduct a course planned especially for the Clergy on the subject, "Present Trends in the Light of What Has Produced Them."

The Rev. Dr. Leicester C. Lewis, Rector of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, is Chaplain of the Wellesley Conference, and also will conduct a course on "Creative Crises in Church History." This will comprise an outline history of Christianity, with special study of its development and expansion which it has undergone through the crises, Gnostic, Teutonic, Norman, etc. The Rev. Dr. Royden Keith Yerkes, Professor of History of Religion at the Philadelphia Divinity School, also will conduct a course at Wellesley in connection with "Study of the Bible."

The Rev. Albert W. Eastburn, Rector of St. Barnabas Church, Kensington, is a member of the Executive Staff of the Bethlehem Conference, as Counsellor for Young Men. The Bethlehem faculty is also strengthened by having Mrs. John Loman, of our Department of Religious Education, and Mrs. C. Stanley Rogers, Director of Religious Education at St. Mary's, Ardmore, among its members. Mrs. Loman will conduct the course on "Teaching Techniques," and Mrs. Rogers will conduct courses on "Making a Good Y. P. F." and "Discussion Method in Y. P. F. Work."

At the Shrine Mont Summer School, Orkney Springs, Va., there will be a Conference especially designed for the Junior Woman's Auxiliary of the various Provinces. Many members of the Auxiliary in our own Diocese are registering for this. Following the Conference for the Juniors, which will be in June, there will be also a Conference for Clergy in July, at which Dr. William H. Jefferys, Superintendent of our City Mission, will conduct a course in "Christian Mysticism."

Following is a list of the dates of the Conference referred to above, and the expenses at each. Additional detailed information may be obtained at the office of the Diocesan Department of Religious Education in the Church House.

Conference Dates

Blue Mountain: June 24-July 5; $30 (Children $22).

Wellesley: June 24-July 5; $40.

Bethlehem: June 23-28; $13.50.

Orkney Springs: Junior Auxiliary; June 10-16; $9.50.

Orkney Springs: Clergy Conference; July 1-13; $15 for 12 days; $7.50 for 6 days.

This Summer marks the tenth year of the Blue Mountain Conference. It is planned to help people who are already active in the life and work of the Church to prepare themselves for more effective service. While the Conference welcomes young people, it requires that they shall have been out of high school at least one year, or to have had the equivalent in experience. It will be held in Penn Hall, on the outskirts of Chambersburg, Pa., which is one of the most healthful districts of Pennsylvania, twenty-five miles west of Gettysburg, on the main highway to the west. There are a golf course, tennis courts, swimming pool and a stream for canoeing.

It will be the thirty-first year of the Wellesley Conference, and the Conference will be held in Wellesley College, at Wellesley, Mass. It will include numerous special conferences, some with an elementary program and some with more advanced courses, and courses particularly for young people. On the recreation side there is opportunity for swimming, canoeing, tennis and baseball, and trips to Concord, Lexington, Salem, old Marblehead and historic Boston.

While both Blue Mountain and Wellesley are general conferences, the Bethlehem Conference is specially designed for Young People. It will be held this summer in Hawthorne Inn, Mt. Pocono, Pa. It is in the heart of the Poconos. The inn is surrounded by 200 acres of woods and fields, with marked trails for hiking. The mountain scenery is of surpassing beauty. There is a large swimming pool and tennis courts, and ample opportunities for many other recreational activities.

Shrine Mont adjoins the George Washington National Forest Reserve, and itself owns half a mountain. It overlooks Orkney Springs in the Virginia Alleghenies. It is a memorial to the late Bishop Gibson, of Virginia. The Shrine itself consists of a stone-roofed Sanctuary, sheltering an Altar. There is a Sacristy Bell-Tower 35 feet high surmounted by a stone Cross. Groups of cottages center around the Shrine and the Refectory Hall. There is a Library of 5,000 volumes. Recreational activities include swimming, tennis, quoits, hikes, picnics, hunting and fishing in season, with a golf course, bowling, riding and dancing at the hotel.

Clergy Group Plans Conference for Young People at Valley Forge Military Academy, June 7 to 13

Under the direction of a committee of our own Clergy plans have been completed for conducting a Conference for Young People in the week beginning July 7th in this Diocese at the Valley Forge Military Academy at Wayne. The entire facilities of the Academy have been placed at the disposal of the committee. The Rev. William P. S. Lander, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont, is Secretary of the Conference, and all communications should be addressed to him.

Other members of the committee are the Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, Rector of St. Luke's, Germantown; the Rev. Dr. Franklin Joiner, Rector of St. Clement's, Philadelphia, and the Rev. Dr. Leicester C. Lewis, Rector of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill.

The Valley Forge Conference is planned for Young People of both sexes from 16 to 25 years of age. Six courses, it is announced, will be offered, from 9 A. M. to 12 noon. The courses will be: (1) "Science and the Bible"; (2) "The Life of Our Lord"; (3) "The Prayer Book in Action"; (4) "Christian Doctrine"; (5) "Church History"; (6) "Church Music." A representative and competent faculty will be in charge, whose names will be announced later. The committee also announces that it hopes to have a Bishop in attendance and several Religious. The entire cost for the Conference, including registration, has been fixed at $16.

The Conference will begin with Supper on Sunday, July 7, closing after breakfast on Saturday, July 13. Afternoons and evenings, the committee announces, will be given to recreation, athletics, entertainment and dancing.

Valley Forge Military Academy is situated on the southerly slope of the Radnor Hills, about a ten-minute walk from the Pennsylvania Railroad station at Wayne on the Main Line. It is

about 16 miles from Philadelphia and may be reached by auto from the city by way of Lancaster Avenue to Wayne, turning right into Wayne Avenue to Eagle Road, turning right into the latter direct to the Academy. From Norristown take Route 122 to King of Prussia, then Route 252 to the Academy.

The Academy, which was founded in April, 1928, was formerly housed in the old Devon Inn. This was destroyed by fire in January, 1929, and the Academy transferred to old St. Luke's School grounds. St. Luke's School buildings were remodelled, and new buildings were erected, including stable, riding hall, class room building and dormitory. The Academy has accommodations for 325.

The Conference committee announces there will be comfortable, single beds, with shower for every two people. Excellent food in an attractive dining room; and gymnasium, tennis courts. athletic field, tiled swimming pool. Provision has also been made for a resident physician and a trained nurse. The Academy Chapel is a beautiful building, and is named in honor of General William G. Price, Jr., one of Pennsylvania's honored citizens and Churchmen who, for many years, has been a Vestryman of historic old St. Paul's Church in Chester.

BISHOP AWARDS DIPLOMAS AT EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL TO 35 GRADUATE NURSES

Bishop Taitt awarded diplomas to a class of 35 nurses who had completed their course of training in the Episcopal Hospital School for Nurses on Wednesday night, May 18, at the Annual Commencement exercises held in the beautiful Chapel of the hospital. The Commencement Address was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Philip J. Steinmetz, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Elkins Park. The religious services were conducted by the Rev. Joseph Manuel, Chaplain of the hospital. The music was under the direction of Horace A. Melling, organist, assisted by Joseph Clifton, baritone, and the School Choir.

Those receiving diplomas follow:

Margaret E. Allen, 7206 Torresdale Avenue, Philadelphia; Evelyn H. Astleford, 117 S. Broad Street, Hazleton, Pa.

Elizabeth E. Bartges, 3425 Plumstead Avenue, Drexel Hill, Pa.; Kathryn L. Beitler, Gettysburg, Pa.; Vivian R. Benedict, Easton Road, Doylestown, Pa.; Ruth E. Bradley, 1316 Fillmore Street, Philadelphia.

Louise M. Capern, 224 Union Street, Moorestown, N. J.

Mary F. Eyer, 244 N. College Avenue, Kingston, Pa.

Virginia E. Griffith, 238 E. Patterson Street, Lansford, Pa.

Elsie M. Hartranft, Wawa, Chester County, Pa.; Elizabeth P. Helman, S. Broad Street, Lansdale, Pa.; Florence A. Heitzman, 27 North Boulevard, Gloucester City, N. J.; Edna E. Hill, Chambersburg, Pa.; Lillie M. Hitner, 1211 Markley Street, Norristown, Pa.

Mary E. Ingham, 218 Lincoln Avenue, Ephrata, Lancaster County, Pa.

Evelyn M. Jones, Seaford, Delaware.

Florence M. Kilian 4228 Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia.

Lois A. Lawson, 200 N. Brown Street, Gloucester, N. J.

Britta F. McConaughey, 416 First Avenue, Johnsonburg, Pa.

Sophy M. Mayer, Valley View, Pa.; Cornelia B. Moon, 229 Reynolds Street, Kingston, Pa.; Muriel W. Mull, 649 N. Pine Street, Lancaster, Pa.

Althea L. Richards, 231 E. Abbott Street, Lansford, Pa.; Elva H. T. Richardson, Aubrey Avenue, Torresdale, Philadelphia; Ivy Riu, Coopersburg, Pa.; Kathryn M. Rowlands, 215 Schuylkill Avenue, Tamaqua, Pa.

Hannah M. Sereant, 505 Bridge Street, Johnsonburg, Pa.; Mary Grace Shorter, 55 Curtis Avenue, Woodbury, N. J.; Dorothy A. Stanley, Ginter, Pa.; Emma E. Stephenson, 415 Jefferson Avenue, Bristol, Pa.; Harriet A. Stover, 304 E. Court Street, Doylestown, Pa.

Marie Townsend, 2919 N. Ringgold Street, Philadelphia.

Edith G. Walker, 112 Watkins Avenue, Woodbury, N. J.; Kathryn E. Weikert, 241 Steinwehr Avenue, Gettysburg, Pa.; Margaret E. Welsh, 5211 Springfield Avenue, Philadelphia.

"Bishop's Day," Sunday, May 12, Great Success

By the Rev. Philip H. Steinmetz

Chairman, Commission on Church Schools

It was a great day!! Boys and girls from all parts of the Diocese came, saw the Bishop, and worshipped God. Adults came too, and caught anew a vision of the childlike faith Our Lord praised so highly. It is in worship after all that we all become one and upon that foundation we must build the Church in this Diocese. It was an inspiration to be there, to see that congregation and join in the service of worship.

The center of Bishop's Day was the service in Holy Trinity Church. The Bishop welcomed those who came and then, led by the Rev. Howard R. Weir, we all united in praise and worship. The "Bible reading" or "Lesson" was made dramatic by groups of boys and girls interpreting the thought in costume. Children of St. Mark's, Frankford, told of "Praising God Through Music." They came in singing the 150th Psalm, dressed in appropriate costume and carrying the musical instruments mentioned in the Psalm. "Praising God Through Nature" was interpreted by St. Paul's, Overbrook, then children, dressed in the costumes of people all over the world, came down the aisle as Psalm 117 was being read, to show "All People Praising God Together." This group was made up of a child from each parish represented at the service, led by a group from Holy Trinity Parish. As this ended, all stood and sang the Doxology and it seemed to have new meaning.

After the service many of us met the Bishop in the Church House and enjoyed his friendly and gracious conversation. Then we looked about the Church House, with the help of guides from the student councils of Old Christ Church and St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill. The exhibit of amazing things done in some of our Church Schools was most interesting and we talked wtih some of those who had made them.

What a day it was!! We thank you, Bishop Taitt, for inviting us. We had a splendid time and we learned something of the Church to which we belong and of the other boys and girls who are in it. I hope we can come again next year.

George Cadwalader Foley

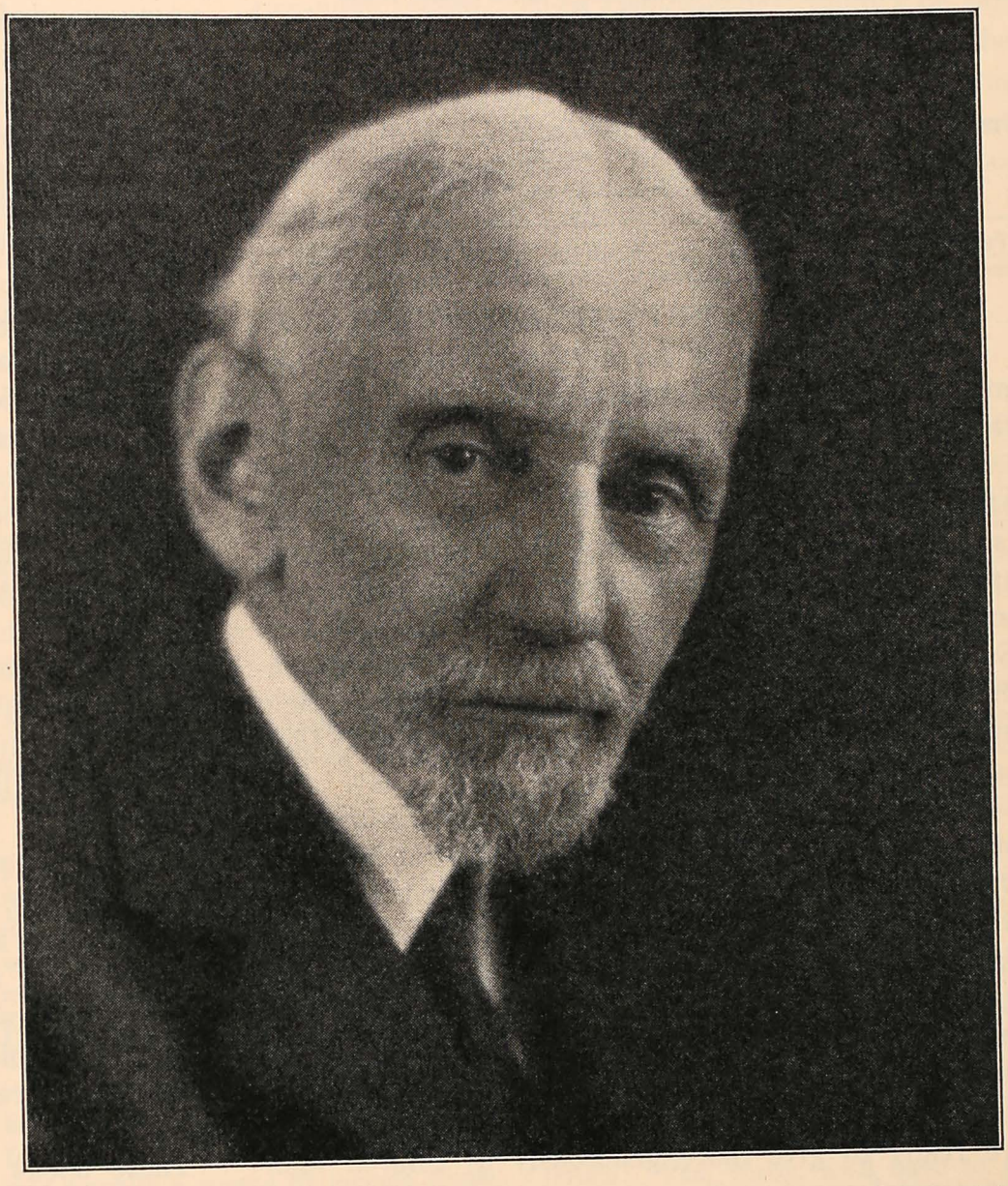
By the Rev. Royden Keith Yerkes, Ph.D.

A few years ago, during a debate upon new material in the recent revision of the Book of Common Prayer, an interesting pass occurred between two Pennsylvania deputies to the General Convention. Before a chosen group in Philadelphia Dr. Foley had presented his reason for devoted belief in prayer for the departed and had thereby surprised and disappointed many who thought they sympathized with his churchmanship. The other deputy voiced such feelings and then, pointing to Dr. Foley, said vehemently, "When I am gone I don't want you to pray for me; I shall then be in the hands of God." Dr. Foley quietly replied, "There is where I have one on you; I am in the hands of God now."

One who spoke on the floor of eleven General Conventions, taught for thirty years in a theological seminary after ministering for twenty-six years in a large parish, and was, until the last, in demand as preacher and lecturer, influenced many different groups of people. The Good Friday Three Hours' Devotion and the Easter services, which he conducted less than three weeks before his death, will always be remembered by those who were present. He would have rejoiced to realize that his last contact with men was not as lecturer or as debater, but as the modest conductor of devotions which gave men a glimpse of the glory of God and made them stronger to return to life's complex emergencies.

As lecturer in a small theological seminary he touched the minds and hearts of over three hundred students, who were struck with his combination of extreme gentleness, extreme force and extreme clarity. He placed before his students all opinions and interpretations but left no doubt which of them he considered true or why he supported his own definite position. He encouraged questions and argument but never allowed them to run amuck; by wise and terse comments he could give direction to any discussion. When brows were knit at the most involved part of a subject a humorous story which aptly illustrated the point in question revived the interest of puzzled listeners. At the end of the hour the class had arrived at the goal which he determined.

When Dr. Foley was ordained, sixty years ago, he belonged by heredity and environment to that militant evangelicalism which was then so nobly represented in Philadelphia. His formal education had been conventional, received from a city high school, a small midwestern college and a partisan theological seminary from which a student had been dismissed for the popish practice of turning to the east when saying the Apostles' Creed. He quickly showed the independence and clarity of his thinking by rejecting several stout planks of his teachers' platform and, to the consternation of all, described himself as a broad churchman. This broad churchmanship, which he consistently claimed throughout the rest of his min-



istry, was not that of vagueness or of negation, but proceeded from deep appreciation of the value of truth wherever it was spoken.

Therefore, despite his strong evangelical tendencies, he was a welcome speaker at meetings of the Catholic Club and at conferences of Catholic clergy. His closest friends differed widely from many of his theological opinions but their friendship was based not upon weak "avoidance of unpleasant subjects and agreement to disagree," but upon frank and animated discussion of the very points of difference. He and they were convinced that truth is one and cannot contradict itself; both were anxious to arrive at the truth which was plainly veiled by different approaches.

As a thinker he believed thoroughly in the validity of reason as far as it could lead and he sometimes pursued it farther than some thought was possible. When reason was exhausted he gladly took the hand of faith as able to bring him nearer God, the great Ultimate for whom his soul longed. Faith never contradicted reason; it supplemented it. He used frequently to say there was no evidence which compelled him to accept the doctrine of the Virgin Birth of our Lord; he accepted it by faith and eagerly supported his position. His passion was for facts; of these he had no fear; he welcomed them as faithful friends. He zealously maintained the right of every individual to know all the facts. He fought all opinions and theories which were not utimately based upon facts. He scorned arguments assembled for the sake of maintaining a position or furthering a cause if they ignored or contradicted facts or tried to explain them away. He abominated sham and disingenuousness.

This was exhibited in all his debating. He loved a debate as the best

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A GOOD SCRIPTURAL SLOGAN

If the suggestion of the Forward Movement Commission is carried out faithfully in our Parishes at the morning services on Whitsunday, it will be an inspiring sight to see whole congregatons standing after the Offertory and repeating in a body the promises that they made at their Confirmation, ratifying and confirming their Baptismal Vows and promising to follow Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Surely the effect of such a dramatic, corporate rededication of life will be remarkable; it cannot help but bring forth good fruit, in some cases even as high as a hundred-fold.

We hope that one of the results will be the opening of the eyes of the blind in the Church to the fact that we have already passed out of the period when all we could do was to "hold the line" and are now on the threshold of a new era of so great expansion that it will be bliss to be alive. It is time to stop digging in and to get out and go over the top. Significant straws in the wind, like the increase in the Church School Lenten Offering this year, indicate that people are ready to give more generously to Church than for several years past.

The time has come, therefore, to go forward in visible expressions of a deeper devotion to Our Lord and Saviour: by supporting our Parish Churches more liberally, by working for a more perfect society here in this land we love, and by carrying the message of the Gospel into all the world to every creature. In the Mission Field, both abroad and at our doors, we should strengthen old work, cease supporting a lot of hopeless work, and start some new work.

Since people respond so readily to slogans, both good and bad, we suggest an appropriate Biblical slogan for the coming fall and winter. It is found in the fifteenth verse of the fourteenth chapter of Exodus, where, when the Israelites had been complaining about their hard lot and Moses had been counselling them to stand still and see what the Lord would do, God called to Moses and said, "Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak to the people of Israel that they go forward." That is what He is saying to every Bishop, Rector and other leader—"Speak to the people that they go forward." The time for expansion has come.

BOOKS ON MARRIAGE

The Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, Executive Secretary of the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council, has suggested to the clergy, who are looking for helpful books on marriage to give to young married couples, two books which he has read and approved: one a pamphlet published in England which can be purchased at the Church Missions House for twenty cents called "The Threshold of Marriage," and the other a longer book, published by Morehouse, called "Outfitting for Spiritual Marriage." The latter volume is by the Rev. Dr. Floyd Van Keuren, one of our best authorities on social subjects, and although the title sounds as if it dealt only with the spiritual side of marriage, we understand that it has many useful suggestions for prospective brides and grooms on other aspects of marriage also.

When our Lord said of married people that "they twain shall become one flesh," he appears to have had in mind the primary importance of the physical in marriage. A New York psychiatrist claimed a few years ago that if men and women were well-mated physically it would prevent 95 per cent of the divorces. That is an extreme statement but perhaps it is necessary in order to correct the wrong impression we get from some religious books that all married people have to do in order to be happy and successful in marriage is to pray and go to church. Unfortunately that is not so, for if married people disregard all God's physical and social laws no amount of "prayer" will save their marriage from disaster. Browning is right as usual when he says flesh helps spirit as much as spirit helps flesh. Hence the need for sound physical advice in religious books on marriage as well as secular.

These books are the more valuable in that they contain physical, social and spiritual advice.

CHURCH AND NATIONAL LEGISLATURES

To a Churchman who attends Diocesan and General Conventions it is a constant source of wonder why the National Congress and State Legislatures take so much time to transact their business. So slow are they that when a bill passes the Senate of the United States in three weeks, a longer time than our Triennial General Convention takes to pass all its legislation, the newspapers, with unconscious humor, refer to it as being "rushed" through the Senate. Now, in spite of what men say, the cause of this snail pace is not that the matters with which our civil bodies deal are more important; anybody who reads history knows that what some obscure wise man is doing this moment in a garret may have more influence on the future of the country than all the bills

that all the various legislatures have before them.

The real reason, of course, is that ecclesiastical legislative bodies, being made up for the most part of clergymen who are used to preaching to volunteer congregations are not nearly so verbose as civil legislatures, whose personnel is almost entirely recruited from the legal profession, whose members are used to speaking only to compulsory congregations of twelve, who have to stay in the jury-box and listen no matter how long and tiresome the address of the learned lawyer may be. The preacher has learned, perhaps by bitter experience, that he must not ramble around, as many senators do, but stick to his subject, and must not sink his sermon with too many quotations. It is pure superstition to believe that our statesmen need to spend so much time legislating. If they got down to business, like a Church Convention, they could give the important bills all the consideration required in less than half the time they spend orating.

The curse of our legislative halls is not venality but verbosity. The men we send to Congress are usually of a high type, and well-fitted for the work to which we have called them. But they think that they have to make interminable speeches, which leave nothing to the intelligence of the hearer to supply, in true legal fashion. No bill is made any clearer by a two-hour speech. Even Demosthenes couldn't be eloquent for an hour. If verbiage were a crop, the Department of Agriculture might control it. But since it is air, and as free as any other wind that blows, we see no relief except in sending more men with Church Convention training to Congress!

Overhead—Waste or Service?

By W. M. Jefferys, M.D.

Superintendent, Philadelphia City Mission

The editor of the Church News very graciously reserved some space for the use of the City Mission in this issue. Our intention was to print a brief report of our work with a view to saving some expense; but in order to do that we should have gotten it out in April. Today a telephone message from the Managing Editor asks "if we have anything ready." Well, not exactly, but there is one very significant point with regard to social work in general which we would like to make and illustrate by what is happening in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania at the present minute.

About a year ago we gave an interview to *The Evening Ledger* on the general subject of the dole and, among other things, we made the claim that at least one-third of all persons then on the dole (and we meant adults) and who were included in the country's rough "estimate of unemployed," did not belong legitimately in that group. This one-third of all adults on the dole represents a group of persons who have always been dependent on others and who, for a variety of reasons, are either unemployable or will not work. They have never worked; they never will work; they have always been supported by friends, relatives, and the public at large.

By way of illustration:

We had a determined application for relief from a married man who moved into Philadelphia from the suburbs because he thought that would give him a claim on our City Mission. He belonged to one of our parishes, but never worked at it. He had a grown son and a wife; the latter had very imperfect vision and he wanted us first to get her eyes fixed up and fit her with new glasses, because the family "lived on her sewing." No, he and his son did not work. We offered to find each of them a job; they were unenthusiastic, but we insisted. Finally, when the jobs were found, they both refused to consider them. It is probable that they are now living on a combination of the dole and the wife's earnings from sewing. Nothing on earth would ever drive those two men—father and son—to work honestly for even their own support.

In that *Ledger* interview we also called attention to the fact that there were a great many persons receiving dole (we thought of about 5 per cent) who would not be granted it for one minute if it were known how they were placed financially. We insisted that out of the dole was developing a racket, a regular system of getting on the relief list, or getting some member of the family on the relief list, where there was actually a source of income ample, according to the standards under which the dole was supposed to be administered. It has taken a whole year for this thing to flair up and become registered in the public mind .Politics has played its part; cheating has played its part. The finest expression I have seen is in an editorial in *The Evening Ledger* of April 29th called "The Dole Sneakers" in which is described how closely this approximates actually stealing from the public, and that it is punishable and severely so. We are all aroused and "het up" on the subject now; but many of us have known this was going on all the time.

The point that I want to make is this: for years the private relief agencies have been trying to teach the public that relief of any form, given without adequate investigation, is sure to be the most effective way of wasting people's money—the gifts of generously inclined people who, in return, have been the severest critics of the private agencies for having what they call "so heavy an overhead." This overhead is what saves the private relief agencies from wasting the money of the public. It is actually a great economy; it finds out where the relief is needed, and what is really needed; and it sees that the right thing goes to the right need. If the public relief agencies had been allowed to spend an adequate amount of funds for trained overhead service, the amount of chiselling which now exists would have been impossible. In relief work, overhead may be the finest kind of service, and lack of investigation the most expensive kind of waste—both of money and civic self-respect.

We showed the editorial to our expert, Dr. Newell, and she writes in return: "Yea, verily, we'll have to get rid of them, but never shall until the courts and police co-operate with County Relief Board, and C. R. B. investigators are civil service appointees and have each a case-load of not more than fifty or sixty."

REQUEST FOR WHEEL CHAIR

The priest-in-charge of one of our Missions in the Diocese would appreciate the gift of a wheel chair from any one who may have one for which he or she has no further use. The Church News will be glad to pass the word along to the priest should there be some one who can help out in this.

The heart of religion is not so much an opinion about God as a personal relationship with God.

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method of clarifying facts. He welcomed contradiction as presenting him with opportunity to defend his statements; he assumed that others were equally eager to defend their theses and would welcome contradiction. His debating was strong because of its impersonality; he could never understand the common American habit of intruding personalism. He never regarded friendship as demanding support of a friend's position if he thought that position was wrong. He would gladly defend an antagonist's position if he thought it was right. Every question was to be discussed not upon the basis of the proponents and and opponents but upon its own merits. He could not understand why opposition to an opinion should affect friendship.

Irrelevancy, subterfuge, wrong conclusions, unfairness and personal discourtesy he hated. He would show no enmity to one who stooped to these; he avoided such an one as he would avoid poison. If he was compelled to say of a statement, "That is not true," the comment indicated all the shock and shame which could be had by one who could not understand why a human being should speak an untruth. He could not tell a falsehood of any kind and he was horrified that another could do so.

He turned away from cads and snobs and all who patronized. He showed no anger to them; anger was reserved for false statements and false actions; it was not for people. Of his many powerful sermons, one of the best was from the text, "And then shall every man have praise of God." He loved to picture the mercy of God toward those with whom he himself was unable to deal. This was a humble man, a genuine liberal, who remembered always that there were conceivable circumstances when he might be wrong in opinion; therein he differed from many who affect the name of liberalist.

This humility shone when Dr. Foley approached the altar to celebrate the Holy Communion. There stood a contrite mortal, conscious of his frailty, pleading impersonally in the presence of the mighty God who made him, who redeemed him and who sanctified him. Men who knew him not sometimes thought him strange indeed. To know him was to love him and with him to adore God to whose services he devoted his mind, his heart and his strength.

> Remember thy servant, O Lord, according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people, and grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, he may go from strength to strength, in the life of perfect service, in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end.

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Dr. Foley at the time of his death was the oldest alumnus of the Philadelphia Divinity School. Had he lived until June 29 he would have been 84 years of age. He entered the ministry from the Sunday School of St. Matthew's Church, 18th Street and Girard Avenue. During his Diaconate he served as assistant at St. Matthew's. Following his ordination to the priesthood he became Rector of St. James' Church, Pittston, Pa. Four years later he became Rector of Trinity Church, Williamsport, Pa., serving there for 26 years, joining the Faculty of the Divinity School in 1905.

Burial services were held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, on Friday, May 10, Bishop Taitt officiating, assisted by the Very Rev. George G. Bartlett, Dean of the Divinity School, and the Rev. Howard R. Weir, Rector of the Parish. Members of the Divinity School Faculty, the student body and upwards of 150 Clergy of the Diocese, were in the congregation. Members of the student body of the Divinity School formed the choir. The interment was private.

REV. W. REESE SCOTT DIES SUDDENLY ON DAY AFTER DIOCESAN CONVENTION

The Rev. William Reese Scott, since May, 1928, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, died suddenly on Wednesday night, May 8, in the rectory from a heart attack. Burial services were held on Saturday, May 11, in the church, Bishop Taitt officiating. The body was taken to the National Cemetery at Arlington for interment.

Mr. Scott's ministry covered a period of forty years, eighteen of which were as a Chaplain in the United States Army, through the successive grades from a First Lieutenant to that of Major. He was retired with the rank of Major in 1927 and the year following was called to the rectorship of St. Paul's to succeed the Rev. John Lowry Hady. He was born in Philadelphia, the son of Dr. and Mrs. William Reese Scott, his father being a prominent physician of Philadelphia.

Mr. Scott was a graduate of the Class of 1892 of the University of Pennsylvania and of the General Theological Seminary, Class of 1895. Following his Ordination he served as Curate at the Church of the Transfiguration in New York for a year; then five years as Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hazleton, Pa. In 1901 he became Rector of Christ Church, Media, in this Diocese, serving until 1907 when he was appointed to a Chaplaincy in the United States Army, serving successively at Fort Monroe, Virginia; Fort Shafter in the Hawaiian Islands. While stationed at Fort Shafter he was promoted to the rank of Captain. During the World War he was given the temporary rank of Major and was stationed at Camp Meade, where he was Morale Officer, Intelligence Officer and Camp Naturalization Officer. After the war he served as Chaplain of the 17th U. S. Infantry and as Chief of Chaplains in the War Department. He also served several years in the Philippines, and it was while there that he was retired.

Mr. Scott was present and took part in the Annual Diocesan Convention on the day before his death, and his appearance gave no indication the end was so near.

ORDAINED DEACONS

In the presence of a congregation that filled the Bishop's Chapel to overflowing on Monday morning in Easter week, J. Perry Cox, a senior in the Philadelphia Divinity School, was ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Taitt. The Rev. Dr. George H. Toop, Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, was the Presenter, and the Very Rev. Granville Taylor, Dean of the West Philadelphia Convocation and Vicar of the Mediator, was the preacher.

Mr. Cox was born in West Philadelphia, June 21, 1909, and entered upon his study for the ministry from the Chapel of the Mediator, where he was active in the Sunday School work and in the Young People's Fellowship. He graduated from the West Philadelphia High School and continued his education at the University of Pennsylvania and the American University, Washington, D. C. Since before Lent he had been helping in the work at St. John's, Lansdowne, preparatory to his ordination, following which he became Assistant to the Rev. Dr. Charles E. Tuke at St. John's.

Bishop Taitt also officiated at the Ordination to the Diaconate on May 14 in the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, of the Rev. Melville Brooks Gurley, who came into the Church from the Presbyterian communion over a year ago, when he was confirmed in Gloria Dei Church. Mr. Gurley was formerly pastor of a Presbyterian congregation. His Presenter on May 14 was his brother, the Rev. Richard R. Gurley. The Rev. John Craig Roak preached the sermon.

The Bishop's Annual Address

Before I begin my Annual Address I ask you to remember before God these His servants who during the last Convention year have passed to their rest and who have a special claim on our prayers:

Of Bishops of the Church:
- Walter Henry Overs
- Manuel Ferrando
- William Frederick Faber
- Boyd Vincent

Of Priests of this Diocese:
- Frank Goostray
- Robert John McFetridge
- Alfred Overton Tarrant
- Edward Riggs
- William Wordsworth Taylor
- Gilbert Edward Pember
- Roderick Prevost Cobb
- John Edgar Johnson
- William Booth Guion

Of Clergy not Canonically Resident:
- Louis K. Lewis
- Francis C. Huber

Of Deaconesses of this Diocese:
- Frances S. Locke

Of Deputies to the Last Convention:
- G. L. S. Jameson
- Allen Gilmour Mitchell
- William J. Dickson
- Howard R. Sheppard
- John G. Hooven
- Charles S. Drake
- Charles H. Bardsley
- John Cadwalader
- Horace Smith Griffith
- John Vaughan Merrick, Jr.
- J. Lee Patton
- Wilbur P. Rennie
- Harry S. Campbell

Of Deputies to Former Conventions:
- Alexander Shearer, Jr.
- James Whittington
- Harvey L. Elkins
- George Washington Statzell
- Charles L. S. Tingley

And one, though not a delegate to Convention, but by his successful teaching of a large Bible Class, his addresses at men's gatherings, and especially as one of the Sunday speakers at Girard College, did splendid service for the Master—Dr. John Wilkinson.

Events of 1784 Fittingly Celebrated

The past year has been one of great significance and great activity. The stirring and important events of 1784 were fittingly celebrated in this and in adjoining Dioceses. A notable service was held at Christ Church on the eve of the last Diocesan Convention and a service of extraordinary interest was held at the same Church on Independence Day.

The General Convention of 1934 assembled almost at our door, and for attendance, magnificence, and fervor has never been approached by any previous Convention. Over 35,000 were present at the opening service and many thousands were present every day of the Convention. Our own Diocese probably sent nearly 15,000, and everyone came back enthused. I do not know that I ever met such a happy band of Christians as at that Convention. Nearly 700 delegates and friends came over to our Diocese, saw our places of interest, and attended a great Church Club dinner at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. The memory of that Convention will long be with those who attended.

Recommendations for 1785 Commemoration

1784, however, was a year of preliminaries. The real event we want to commemorate occurred September 27, 1785. In that year two epochal Conventions were held in the then village of Philadelphia, one that is known as the "First Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania." It assembled in Christ Church on May 23rd and 24th. Notable progress was made by this Convention toward the accomplishment of the great purpose so patiently pursued by William White, of the forming of a National Church. Deputies were chosen to represent the State of Pennsylvania in a more inclusive Convention to be held in Philadelphia, on the Tuesday preceding the Feast of St. Michael next ensuing.

As a consequence of this May Convention, and similar meetings in other States, there assembled in Philadelphia from September 27th to October 7th of the same year, a Convention (sometimes called the "First General Convention of the Protestant-Episcopal Church in the United States of America") at which there were in attendance, clerical and lay deputies from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina. An artist has attempted to picture it in one of the beautiful windows in Old Christ Church. A photographic reproduction of that window is to be ready for distribution soon, together with the names of those who attended. The formulation of an unprecedented Constitution, the production of a revised Prayer Book, the wise resolute steps taken toward securing the Episcopate in the Anglican succession, and the forwarding of the major project for uniting all of the States into a National Ecclesiastical unit, justify all who would understand the sources of the religious forces in America, in magnifying with reverend gratitude those far-seeing pioneers for God.

It would be appropriate that a Committee of Clergy and laymen be appointed from Churches represented at this Convention, who might associate with them Bishops, Clergy and laymen from other parts of

Pennsylvania and the other six States who were also represented in 1785, to properly celebrate the 150th anniversary of the First General Convention of the Church in America.

It is a great joy to me to give an account of my stewardship for the past year and to reveal to you what God has wrought; what we may expect from Him; and what He expects from us in the coming year.

Effects of Continued Economic Conditions

While we are told that last year was a record year in automobile sales and that in the past two winters there were more visitors in Florida than for many years; that although hotel rates were high, it was difficult to secure accommodations; though the President of the United States in a notable speech to the Gridiron Club declared, "We are not getting out of the depression; we are out of it";—there are certain other places where no such optimism is registered. The Welfare Drive, while greatly decreasing the amount asked, has failed for several years to reach its goal. Almost every attempt to secure large amounts for worthy objects has likewise failed or come far from its objective.

The National Council has also failed of the amount necessary to carry on its work. Last year it was saved from serious disruption by the men of the country, who secured a sum of about $270,000 and enabled it to meet most of its obligations.

In our Diocese, while probably every institution and possibly every Parish was obliged to economize, yet none failed to function nor was plunged into hopeless debt.

The Church has not closed a single Mission nor dismissed a single Missionary. While the income is less, church attendance and interest have largely increased. Last year I spoke of the great attendance on Good Friday and the large number of communicants on Easter Day. This year there were larger attendances at the commemorative service and many more communicants receiving the Blessed Sacrament at Easter. In one of our Missions, St. Barnabas, Kensington, there were 26 children and 8 adults baptized at the service on Easter Even. For these things we thank God and take courage.

I Instituted as Rectors:

Rectors Instituted and Dedications

October 7, 1934, the Rev. Thomas L. Harris as Rector of St. Luke and the Epiphany.

November 2, 1934, the Rev. Henry S. Paynter as Rector of Trinity Church, Coatesville.

January 9, 1935, the Rev. Charles Henger Urban as Rector of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington.

February 6, 1935, the Rev. Frank Cox as Rector of the Church of the Redemption, Philadelphia.

February 8, 1935, the Rev. Edmund B. Wood as Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Roxborough.

I dedicated on May 14, 1934, two new rooms at Seamen's Church Institute.

On October 7, 1934, the restored Church of the Advent was dedicated.

On November 1, 1934, at St. Peter's, Germantown, a beautiful Chapel was dedicated. This was made possible by a legacy of a devout communicant.

On February 1, 1935, I dedicated a Chapel at the Seamen's Church Institute at Marcus Hook.

On February 1, 1935, I dedicated a beautiful Chapel at Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg.

On April 28, 1935, Dr. Crum dedicated a Chapel at St. Andrew's, West Philadelphia, in memory of the Rev. William J. Cox.

On June 11, 1934, Dean Eder dedicated a new Chancel at St. Barnabas, Germantown.

On November 1, 1934, I blessed St. Mary's Chapel of the Cathedral at Roxborough, given in memory of Mary Masden Vaughan.

On December 2, 1934, at Whitemarsh, I blessed a communion rail given by a brother to express his affection for a living sister.

On January 16, 1935, I blessed the enlarged Parish House of St. Augustine's Church.

On November 29, 1934, I consecrated St. Aidan's Chapel on its 10th anniversary. The securing of all funds necessary was a work of noble sacrifice of priest and people.

There were also certain notable anniversaries.

Some Notable Anniversaries

May 4, 1934, Dr. Toop celebrated his 20th anniversary as Rector of Holy Apostles Church.

May 29, 1934, Rev. John E. Hill celebrated his 25th anniversary as Rector of All Saints Church.

June 21, 1934, the 40th anniversary of the Chapel of St. Simon the Cyrenian and the 25th anniversary of the Vicar, the Rev. John R. Logan, D.D., were celebrated.

October 14, 1934, the Rev. Dr. Clattenburg celebrated the 10th anniversary as Rector of St. John's Church, Cynwyd, and Dr. Tiley the 30th anniversary of his voluntary and marvelously effective work as organist and choirmaster of the Church.

January 23, 1935, the 15th anniversary of the Seamen's Church Institute, Philadelphia, was observed.

January 28th was the 38th anniversary of the Galilee Mission.

The subject of the oversight and preparation of men for the Ministry was discussed at length in my

Candidates for the Ministry

Convention Address of 1932. I am happy to say that the subject was also discussed and legislated on at the last General Convention. Instead of admitting as Candidates for the Ministry, men whom many recommend and nobody knows, it is now required that the man shall spend one year at a Divinity School, where his abilities, his character, and his peculiarities may be studied. If then satisfactory he may be recommended to the Bishop and Standing Committee and the year of study counted on his Candidacy. Our own Standing Committee has been foremost in its endeavor to study the character and disposition of Candidates.

For some time past, everyone applying is visited by two members of the Standing Committee and a report is made, entirely apart from his scholastic acquirements. I ask you to carefully read its report. The Ministry should be carefully guarded, so that no unworthy, brainless, ill-prepared or worldly-ambitious man could intrude its sacred precincts.

Sympathy and Support for Philadelphia Divinity School Urged

Our Divinity Schools should be the object of our solicitude, our generous gifts and our prayers. Their products become the pilots of the Church of God. Christianity is primarily not a philosophy but a revelation. On the staff of such schools we want not the worldly-wise nor brilliant only, but men who are convinced of the truth as it is in Jesus, and who have devoted their lives to its defense and the most forceful method of making that truth known to the world. As a body, our Ministry compares most favorably for intelligence, integrity, purity, and self-sacrifice with any profession in the world. Into it, however, from time to time come the unworthy and unprepared, and the Church must make every effort to make their coming impossible. Our Philadelphia Divinity School is making an appeal for $150,000 to better equip it and provide salaries for its professors. Though not an institution of this Diocese, it has always been closely associated with our work and has had a great place in the hearts of the Bishops of Pennsylvania and has been largely supported by endowments from the Diocese. It was established by that great Bishop, Alonzo Potter, to whom we owe so many institutions. I commend it most heartily to your sympathy and support.

We have certain institutions which are our pride and should receive from Churchmen generous support.

Work of Episcopal Hospital

The Episcopal Hospital is probably our largest and most expensive gift to the world. It stands in a part of the city where there are many accidents and where fully one-half of its patients are able to pay nothing or only a part of the expense of their care. The reading of its annual report is enlightening. I believe there is no hospital in America that does so large a work in its out-patient department. Only a small fraction of the patients are members of our Church. It is our gift to suffering humanity, irrespective of race, color or religion. It is one of the largest and most cheerful hospitals in the world, yet the hospital neither asks nor wants State support nor a portion of Welfare Drives. It is supported by those who want personally to relieve human suffering.

The great addition made to it has wonderfully increased its effectiveness. Until this addition, the hospital had no Maternity Department. Now it has one of the finest. Let us admire it and have a real pride that it is an institution of our Church. Let us not forget, however, that our pride and admiration will not support it. Get interested in it and you will not be able to resist working for and giving to it.

Episcopal Academy's 150th Anniversary

On January 6 the Episcopal Academy celebrated its 150th anniversary by a notable service in Old Christ Church. The Church was packed by friends and graduates of the Academy. The Head Master of Phillips Exeter Academy made a noble address. There is no institution that has a warmer place in the hearts of its Alumni nor a higher standing in the scholastic world. As a male child is born, parents at once make preparation for his attending this Academy. While here, they know that he will form the most valued friendships and become a cultured Christian. From here they know that he can enter any college of his choosing and have a distinguished career. In this, its 150th year, it is the great desire and aim of the Trustees that $150,000 shall be added to its Endowment Fund. I hope that good Churchmen will see that this aim is reached.

Church Mission of Help

I am Honorary President of the Church Mission of Help and commend it to you for your prayers and material help.

The Church Mission of Help, a protective agency for girls, has been active for the past eighteen years in this Diocese. It stresses the sacredness of the personality of the girl with whom it comes in contact. There have been over 2,000 of them pass over its threshold, and they have received spiritual, physical and mental help from the scientifically trained workers—all church women, affiliated with our parish life.

The Church Mission of Help is a contributing member of the National Council Church Mission of Help at 27 West 25th Street, in New York City, of which Mrs. John Glenn is President. The Council is composed of two delegates from each of its fifteen societies in different Dioceses.

We are apt to forget that the girl of today is the mother of tomorrow; and to build for the right kind of citizenship we must protect our youth and bring into their lives the beauty of right living and enable them to take part with us in the worship of God.

Home for Consumptives

The Home for Consumptives is recognized as one of the finest institutions of its kind in America. Again, irrespective of creed, its healing ministrations are extended to all afflicted with that dread disease. Lack of income from many of its endowment investments has greatly hampered its operation. With a large and beautiful plant and with the latest and best that medical science has discovered, it has done a wonderful work of healing. Many who seemed hopeless when admitted, have been restored not only to their friends, but to useful occupations in the world. It is hoped that friends of suffering humanity will hasten to its aid.

House of Rest for the Aged

The House of Rest for the Aged, notwithstanding an additional building, is full to overflowing and many are on the waiting list. The Managers are most generous and most faithful. The guests are contented and happy,

but many aged women are clamoring for admission. Larger accommodations are greatly needed.

Church Training and Deaconess School

The Church Training and Deaconess School is continuing its splendid work under great financial pressure. It is of greatest value not only to this Diocese, but to the Church at large. Great effort on the part of Managers and their friends alone has made its continuance possible. It appeals for liberality on the part of all members of the Church.

Church Home for Children

The Church Home for Children at Angora is one of the happiest and healthiest homes in our part of the country. Fifty years ago when the Bishop conducted services there, 100 children were cared for. Owing to decrease of income, only about 80 can now be taken. It is hoped that this home will be remembered by the people of our Diocese, both now and in the final distribution of their property.

House of St. Michael and All Angels

St. Michael and All Angels Home for Colored Crippled Children had fallen on evil days. Much of its endowment was lost and nothing but the kindness of its many creditors enabled it to keep its doors open. In our emergency and in God's answer to our prayers the Hon. George Wharton Pepper volunteered to lead a campaign to enable it to meet its obligations and to continue its noble work for two years longer. Something over $54,000 was subscribed and the institution saved. It is the only institution in the United States that is devoted entirely to the care of Colored Crippled Children, and its closing would have been a calamity. It is your Bishop's belief that no one but the brave, God-fearing leader could have devised the plan and inspired the interest, and nothing but the perfect trust in God on the part of all the workers could have accomplished the result. We hope the campaign has done more than raise $54,000. Many who had never heard of the institution now have a financial investment there, and we feel sure that both their prayers and their alms will constantly come before God.

The Daughters of the King, the Girls' Friendly Society, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the Young People's Fellowship are all in healthy condition and functioning splendidly.

A survey was made of the Christian Social Service Departments of the various Dioceses. It was declared that the Diocese of Pennsylvania had the finest Department in the country. For this we are greatly indebted to the Hon. Clinton Rogers Woodruff, Director of Public Welfare and Chairman of the department, who for many years has not only been the head but also the very active spirit in that Department.

The Department of Religious Education is doing faithful and notable work.

Work of Woman's Auxiliary

The Woman's Auxiliary is our great dependable body for the accomplishment of our undertakings. The women of this organization are thoughtful, industrious, well informed and most generous. Without them many of our projects would have failed. With them, all things are possible. This organization is of greatest comfort to the Bishop. On last Thursday, at the United Thank Offering service, it presented a Missionary Offering of $10,002, raised since the General Convention of last October.

Commends Devoted Service of Diocesan Workers

I have been blessed beyond measure by the large number of intelligent, efficient and devoted workers. I doubt whether any Bishop has as great and consecrated a set of men and women on whom he can rely. We have our matchless Chancellor, our splendidly qualified Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer devoting many hours to our finances, our Examining Physician with great skill reporting upon the physical condition of Candidates for Holy Orders, our spiritually minded and intellectually alert Vice-Chairman of the Executive Council visiting Parishes and holding conferences with Vestries, the various officers of the Woman's Auxiliary ever engaged in the Church's work, the Educational Secretary dispensing Missionary Information; our Diocesan Altar Guild providing for public service of Almighty God; our six Deans are doing remarkable and self-sacrificing service. Their equals could not be found in any other Diocese. Each has a Parish or other work that commands a man's full time, yet without slighting these they devote many days and much thought to keeping their respective Convocations at a high state of efficiency. No Bishop could successfully administer this Diocese without such assistance. These and numerous other officers and organizations rendering entirely voluntary service give the Bishop great cause of thankfulness.

The Missionary work in our Diocese is receiving the constant and conscientious attention of our Archdeacon and the six Deans of the Convocations. The Foreign Work, consisting of three Italian and four Polish Churches, is making some progress. The Italian Missions are greatly increasing in membership. The Polish people have suffered terribly from the depression and their financial condition has kept many from Church attendance. Our thirteen Colored Parishes and Missions, though affected financially, are increasing numerically. The Church of St. John the Divine was dissolved and its membership formed into the Mission of the Beloved Disciple. Under the able leadership of the Rev. Charles A. Levy it is doing a splendid work.

The fifty Missions of the various Convocations are doing earnest and hard work. Several are looking forward to becoming Parishes in the near future. Services are being held every Sunday in the Lady Chapel of the Cathedral Church of Christ, the first building of the group. There is a weekly celebration of the Holy Communion Morning Prayer and an address by a Lay Canon; and Evening Prayer by a Priest of the Church.

In regard to the general Missionary work of the Church, our interest is as great and our service as ac-

Church's Missionary Work Active and Continuous

tive and continuous. We have not always reached our goal, but we still have a leading place in the amounts given by the larger Dioceses. Interest in Missions is a live thing in this Diocese, not only because it yields a rich fruitage, but because it is the Master's command and the Master's will. The Church is called the "Body of Christ." It is the work of the body to do the will of the mind. The mind of the Master must be registered by His Church. To do that is the great aim of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. Last Fall the Church sent to us the Bishop of Honolulu. He gave us many stirring addresses. In the course of them he gave us an incident in the life of the Duke of Wellington. There was a gathering at the Vicarage. Incidentally, the question of Foreign Missions was mentioned. Someone remarked, "I do not believe in Foreign Missions. Let us convert our people at home before we send our money away." The Vicar joined the conversation and remarked, "I feel that way myself, and never advocate Foreign Missions." The Iron Duke turned round and with indignation declared, "If you were in my army I would have you taken out and shot. If I gave a command to my army and found an officer telling their privates not to obey my command, he should at once have the penalty of death. Our great Commander said, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to *every creature!*', and you, an officer in His great army, instead of promulgating His command and leading the march, are advising your privates not to obey."

I do not think there would be many executions in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The fire of devotion still burns upon our Altar, and coals from that Altar have touched the tongues of most of our Clergy. Many sacrifices are made to do the Master's will. Let us see what greater sacrifices we can make, so that the first sign of financial revival shall be registered in larger gifts to the Master's service, and especially for the spread of the Master's Kingdom.

"And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; Being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God." Philippians I—9, 10, 11.

CONGREGATIONS IN THREE PARISHES COMMEMORATE COMING OF THEIR RECTORS

Anniversaries of the rectorships of three of the clergy of the Diocese in that number of parishes have been commemorated since the last issue of THE CHURCH NEWS.

On Wednesday night, May 8, in the parish house of Calvary Church, 41st and Brown streets, a Reception was tendered to the Rev. Charles Leighton Steel and Mrs. Steel by the congregation on the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of his coming to Calvary Church as its Rector. It was on May 8, 1910, that Fr. Steel took charge of Calvary Church. Fr. Steel entered the ministry from St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia. He was a member of the famous Central High School Class of 1879 and trained for the ministry at the Theological School of Sewanee. One of his earliest charges was in Vineland, N. J., from which he was called to Christ Church, Newton, N. J. His service there covered 20 years, when he was called to the rectorship of Calvary Church.

Clergy of the West Philadelphia Convocation, members of various Church and other organizations of which he is a member, joined with the Congregation at the Reception on May 8, and Bishop Taitt also was a specially invited guest. On Sunday morning, May 12, the anniversary was commemorated in a Corporate Communion of the whole parish. Following this service the Boy Scout Troop of the parish in the presence of the congregation planted a silver maple tree in the churchyard as a memorial of the Silver Anniversary.

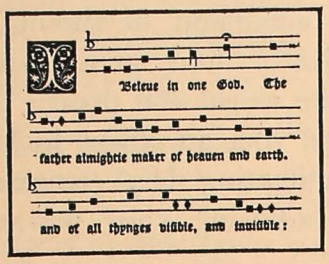
On Sunday, April 28, the Rev. Malcom E. Peabody, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, concluded the tenth year of his rectorship of that parish and, in response to an invitation from representatives of the vestry, Church School, Woman's Auxiliary, and all other organizations of the parish, members of the congregation and friends of the parish took part in the 11 o'clock service that day as a corporate expression of Mr. Peabody's ministry in the community.

The Appreciation was also recorded in the form of a statement distributed among the parishioners in which it was set forth that during Mr. Peabody's ten years' rectorship there has been a steady growth in the life of the St. Paul's, built upon the firm foundations laid by the former Rectors, Dr. J. Andrews Harris and Mr. John H. Chapman. Referring to the material side of the life of the parish, the Appreciation stated:

"Gratitude is due to our present Rector for bringing into reality a thirty years' dream—the beautiful new Church building and the added wing for the Church School. Mention of the latter naturally leads to our realization of its fine organization under expert management which is contributing more than can be measured to the religious development of the boys and girls and Young People of the parish."

The Rev. Dr. John H. Mockridge, on April 1, completed the Twentieth Anniversary of his rectorship of St. James's Church, Philadelphia, but in deference to Dr. Mockridge's there was no formal commemoration, although he was the recipient of many expressions of appreciation from members of the parish for the service he has given the parish. Dr. Mockridge had been Vicar of Trinity Chapel, New York city for five years when he was called to the rectorship of St. James's Church in 1915. His service at St. James's covers a little more than one-half of his entire ministry of 39 years. Following his ordination as priest in 1896 by Bishop Sweatman of Toronto, he served until 1903 as an Assistant at St. Luke's Church, Toronto. The next four years he served as Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Detroit, Mich., going from there as Rector to St. Paul's Church, Louisville, Ky., where he served until 1910. In the latter year he went to Trinity Chapel, and after five years there accepted the call to St. James's.

AN APPRECIATION

The Rev. Dr. James N. Deaver and the people of St. Christopher's Mission in the North Philadelphia Convocation desire to extend their sincere thanks to Mrs. Holman White, of Grace Church, Mt. Airy, in obtaining through her the gift of a large number of Choir Vestments, which has enabled the Mission to equip its Junior Choir of 16 voices and also to add to the number of members of its regular adult Choir. Dr. Deaver says the gift has been a great help in adding to the beauty and attractiveness of the service, and assures Mrs. White of the Mission's grateful appreciation.

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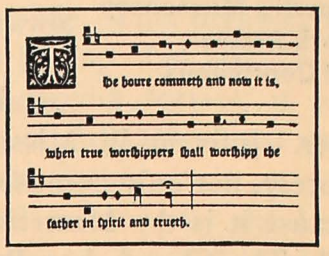
Ideals and Realizations

A Discussion of the Work of the Diocesan Commission on Music

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We have come to realize that we are privileged to live in wonderful days—days of regeneration in almost all aspects of life. No branch of art or of living seems to have been excluded from this reawakening, not even that especial line of endeavor—Church Music.

There has always been an ideal for music in Christian worship. As we look back into the Church's history and come upon some Golden Age, we think what a privilege it must have been to live at that time, to take part in the beauties of the worship of God, and perhaps to be responsible for the musical part of it! Our opportunities today are far greater, however, for we have all the resources which existed then, and added to them many years more of experience from which to learn, and upon which to base our ideals and their practical application.

And now, referring to the Diocese of Pennsylvania in particular, it may be said that there has never been such interest shown, nor such enthusiasm manifested in the ideals and performances of Church Music as there is at the present time. Opportunities for the increase of knowledge are many, and practicably available to all interested; and advantage has been taken of these opportunities to an encouraging extent.

The Episcopal Church in this Diocese has, on its appointed Commission on Music, a group of zealous Church musicians (which emphatically includes the clergy members). During the past year they have given of their time, their knowledge, and even of their money, to further the interests of this branch of their art. The response from the musicians of the Diocese has been inspiring, and has exceeded all hopes.

In the Report of the Commission presented to the Diocesan Convention, reference was made to the subjects discussed in the various Music Conferences held during the past year under the auspices of the Commission. A brief review of these may be pertinent here, mentioning them in what is perhaps their order of importance.

What *is* the most important aspect of Church Music? Surely there can be no difference of opinion about this. It must be a *realization in its music of the mind of the Church.* Music is a means of praising God, of worshipping Him in a manner which is apart from our everyday habit of speech, of addressing Him with worthy expression, of bringing the best of an art and laying it humbly before Him.

This ideal has coupled with it the necessity for an understanding, the study of the Church Calendar, and of tradition and custom. The Commission presented these subjects in several series of talks: a study of the *Bible,* by the Rev. N. Herbert Caley, a study of the *Prayer Book,* by the Rev. Herbert B. Satcher, a study of the *Choral Service,* by the Rev. John W. Norris. These furnished the foundation upon which the actual musical structure was built.

The music and its rendition were dealt with as follows: *Development of Style,* by Mr. Ernest White, *Service Building and the Hymnal,* by Mr. H. William Hawke, *Chanting and Choir Training,* by Mr. Harold W. Gilbert, *Organ Playing in the Church Service,* by Mr. Newell Robinson.

While this is a large range of subjects, each covers a necessary part of the equipment of the Choirmaster and Organist, and each covers a phase of his weekly duties. Many thing were, of course, left unsaid, but the road to self-advancement was indicated.

During the past year the Commission concentrated its attention upon the Choirmaster and Organist, feeling that the first step in the development of its program should aim to promote a better understanding on the part of the actual leaders in Church Music. This part of the work is now well under way; and, frankly, it is the easiest part. It is not difficult to encourage the musician to take his work more seriously, and to convince him that he is responsible for the attainment of fine results. It will be a harder task to convince the clergy that the best policy in Church Music is *not* to let well enough alone. And equally hard will it be to convince congregations that the singing and playing of music in church is not to be regarded as a more or less agreeable form of entertainment.

How are we to approach these problems? How many clergy of the Diocese are sufficiently interested in the praising of God through the art of music to take the time or make the effort to learn more about it than the meagre knowledge they acquired in their seminary days? How many members of the congregation realize that the Liturgical Year influences the choice of music? How many understand why certain hymns and anthems are sung on certain Sundays and festivals of the year?

Perhaps there is a need for printed program notes, copying after the orchestral and concert lists. The Commission has under consideration at the present time a scheme for the publication of brief pamphlets dealing with Church Music. These would be distributed throughout the Diocese. Their size and content would make them suitable for inclusion in parish bulletins. This project is still in the discussion stage, for it is a matter which entails careful planning and some expense, and the means of underwriting its cost have yet to be discovered.

An understanding of the purpose of Church Music is the great need. We know of a clergyman who conducts in his parish a course in the appreciation of Church Music. His choir's work and his congregation's singing reflect the understanding his people have of the proper use of music in the Church.

The Commission's articles which have appeared in THE CHURCH NEWS during the past eight months have been concerned with Morning and Evening Prayer. It was felt that the information they contained might be of value to those not fully acquainted with the structure of these Offices, and that such information might lead to a more serious and sincere rendition of these important services. The Commission wishes to continue to use the columns generously placed at their disposal, and it has been suggested that a logical sequence might be the introduction of a *Question and Answer Department,*

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The Use of Hymns in Church

(This is the eighth in a series of articles sponsored by the Commission on Music of the Diocese.—Ed.)

The ancient definition of a hymn, as given by Saint Augustine, is: "It is a song with praise of God. If thou praisest God, and singest not, thou utterest no hymn. If thou singest and praisest not God, thou utterest no hymn. A hymn, then, containeth these three things: Song, and praise, and that of God. Praise, then, of God in song is called a hymn."

No modern words could more adequately describe the proper use of hymns in church services, and no enlargement of scope is necessary, although religious poetry has been admitted side by side with hymns in our present-day services.

Hymns are of two types, which we may call *objective* and *subjective*. The objective type emphasizes God's relation to man, it sings His praise and recites His glories. The subjective type stresses man's relation to God; it sets forth human needs and human thoughts of God.

Acquaintance with the *Hymnal* will demonstrate these two categories, and their uses will depend upon the purpose of our church-going. If we go to worship and praise the Almighty, the objective type is best suited for our use; if we go as supplicants, laying ourselves and our troubles before Him publicly, the subjective type will best serve our purpose.

Perhaps every service will contain the two elements—of Divine mercy and of human appeal. The Communion Service does. We begin by asking for mercy; we have moments of praise. The Offertory is a point when we lay our oblations, our gifts of talents as well as of money, upon the altar. And it would seem that a hymn of praise, or an anthem extolling God, the Creator and Redeemer of the world and the Giver of every good thing, would be more appropriate at this point than the more personal type.

The subjective type of hymn is very ancient—witness the hymn of Bishop Synesius, who lived from A.D. 375 to 430: "Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin." But this type of hymn was used principally in the hours of private devotion, rather than in the public services of the Church when the faithful met together to worship and praise God and to recite His benefits.

Hymns have another aspect—that of being a means of instruction in religious matters. We have many hymns which set forth more or less completely the scheme of salvation, or certain aspects of it. In the days of common illiteracy, hymns, because of their pronounced metres and rhymes, afforded a means of having the teachings of the Church remembered, recited, and thought upon. They usually pertained to some particular season, such as Christmas or Easter, and dwelt upon the occasion of rejoicing.

The one portion of the services which has always been kept up-to-date is hymn-singing. Generally speaking, we can tell, by the thought and style of a hymn, when it was written, especially if we know religious history. Many a hymn was written for a particular purpose in its day, and its actual meaning has been lost to us.

Hymns may be the means of aiding a congregation to sense the power of the Almighty, to feel the reality of God's love and mercy. Or they may give expression to the various emotions that a worshipper experiences when his soul is deeply moved.

Careless selection of hymns is to be decried. They should be chosen for their appropriateness to the occasion, for their teaching value, for their capacity for spiritual uplift—not for the sake of their pretty tunes. Unfortunately, pretty tunes so frequently seize and hold the attention of a singer that his thoughts never reach beyond the music. Hymns sung with such an attitude merely serve to give the congregation an opportunity to stand up and stretch. They are meaningless, and a mockery.

If hymns are to serve their proper use in the services, a way should be found to awaken an intelligent interest in the meanings of their words, and then music should be selected for them that will amplify that meaning rather than destroy it—tunes that will not direct attention primarily to themselves, but that will serve as an aid to worship.

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should there be sufficient interest shown. By way of inaugurating such a feature, it is suggested that questions be mailed to the Chairman of the Commission on Music, Mr. Harold W. Gilbert, 319 Lombard Street, Philadelphia. It should be understood that the purpose of the Commission is to function in an advisory capacity; its recommendations are in no sense arbitrary—much less dictatorial.

It is desirable that a complete list be compiled of the names and addresses of all organists and choirmasters in the Diocese, so that they may be notified of events sponsored by the Commission. The co-operation of the readers of THE CHURCH NEWS is requested in this direction. The Secretary of the Commission, the Rev. N. Herbert Caley, 6769 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, will be glad to receive such information.

Men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed.

FELLOWSHIPS OF DIOCESE PLAN NOTABLE PROGRAM FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

In preparation for its Tenth Annual Convention, which will be held on Saturday, May 25, and which will be observed as "Loyalty Day," the Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese has arranged a program including Conferences in the afternoon, a dinner in the evening, followed by a dance.

The Convention will be held in the University Christian Association building, 36th and Locust Streets. The program for the Conferences follows:

From 3 to 3.50 P. M.: "Fellowship Programs," Mrs. C. S. Rogers, Leader; "Fellowship Organization," Mr. Joseph Wallace, Leader; "Junior Fellowship Leaders," Mr. Burton F. Corson, Leader.

From 4 to 4.50 P. M.: "Personal Religion," at which the Leaders will be the Rev. William P. S. Lander, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont; the Rev. Robert C. Hubbs, priest-in-charge of St. Ambrose, Kensington, and the Rev. B. Janney Rudderow, Vicar of Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel, Philadelphia.

From 5 to 6 P. M. there will be a business meeting and election of officers, followed by a Vespers Service in St. Mary's Church, conducted by the Rev. William B. Stimson, in charge of the Student Work in the Diocese.

Speakers at the dinner, which will be held in the Christian Association, will be Bishop Taitt, who will have as his subject, "What the Church Expects from Young People," and Benjamin H. Ludlow, Esq., who will have as his subject, "What the Young People Expect from the Church."

The Rev. B. Janney Rudderow, Chairman of the Executive Council of the Young People's Fellowship, will announce at the dinner the recipients of this year's Youth Awards.

Subscription for the dinner is 65 cents and reservations for seats should be sent to Mr. W. Burton Lord, Rising Sun Road, Ardmore, Pa.

News Notes and Personals Gathered Here and There in Diocese

Veteran Vestryman Re-elected

In his re-election to the Vestry of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, on Monday in Easter Week, Mr. Reese P. Davis began his 58th year of service as a Vestryman of this parish, and his 48th year of continuous service. Mr. Reese was first elected in 1880. From 1890 to 1898 he was living out of town, but upon his return he was again called into service. During much of his time as Vestryman, Mr. Davis also has served as Superintendent of the Sunday School.

Director of Religious Education

Miss Alice P. Crothers has been appointed Director of Religious Education in Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown. Miss Crothers was formerly Secretary to the Rev. John W. Suter, Jr., Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, New York City, and received her M.A. degree last year at Teachers' College of Columbia University.

Gift of Memorial

Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, has been presented with two beautiful seven-stick Candelabra, as a Memorial to the late Frank B. Himes, the gift of his daughter, Miss Mona Himes. The Memorial was dedicated by the Rev. W. Hugh Fryer, on Palm Sunday, and used that day for the first time.

Forms Men's Bible Class

Through the efforts of Mr. Clarence M. Bogia, of Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, a Men's Bible Class of 16 has been organized and met together for the first time on Sunday, April 7, with Mr. Bogia as the teacher. The Rev. W. Hugh Fryer, priest-in-charge, reports that since its organization the membership is increasing.

New Department at St. Giles

The Rev. George C. Anderson, Vicar of St. Giles Chapel, Stonehurst, reports the organization of a Social Service Department in connection with the work being done in the field to which the Chapel is ministering, with Mrs. Harry W. Jones, a trained social service worker, giving her service without compensation as Secretary. The department is being conducted under the auspices of All Souls Guild.

Parish Helps Unemployed

Since September of last year up to April 1 of this year the Parish Employment Service maintained by St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, has given out 107 jobs, 60 of which are permanent. It is interesting to note that the report shows that during the four years this service has been maintained over 350 situations were filled, meeting a definite need in the community. Because of the extensive interviewing and telephoning which the work involves it has been decided to extend help only to members of the parish. Names of all others are being transferred to the Community Center, which is fully equipped to handle this service.

Appointed Social Secretary

Mrs. Freas B. Snyder, of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, has accepted appointment as Social Secretary for the Church School of this parish. Always one of the many active workers at St. John's, where her husband is a vestryman, Mrs. Snyder will now hold herself responsible for getting in touch with the homes of all children who are absent from school sessions.

Choir Members in Bible Class

A number of the members of the choir of Grace Church, West Philadelphia, who are non-communicants of the Church, recently decided to form a Bible Class and asked the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Shryock, to be the teacher. The group is now coming to church one hour before the time for the choir to report, and Dr. Shryock is giving the group a special course in the Bible.

Missionaries Buy Projecting Machine

The Rev. Waldo D. Parker, head of the Bucks County Missions, and the Rev. James C. Gilbert, a member of his staff, recently co-operated in the purchase of a projecting machine out of their limited personal funds, which has enabled them to show a number of religious films to the several congregations in their field. As this is being written the projecting machine has been used at Trinity, Solebury; St. James, Langhorne; St. Paul, Edgely; Trinity, Buckingham and Grace, Hulmeville. One of the films shown bears the title "Forgive Us Our Sins." They are rented from a company specializing in religious films.

Raises Tidy Sum for Parish Auxiliary

Mrs. Russell H. Boles, Chairman of the Diocesan Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. James's Church, Philadelphia, recently conducted a most successful effort by which the committee added upwards of $400 to its treasury. Mrs. Boles, who is the wife of Dr. Boles, Secretary of the Vestry, conceived the idea of holding a card party at the Philadelphia Country Club, and over 700 tickets were disposed of for the event.

Making Pennies Work

Mrs. Gladys Mitchell and Mrs. Robert Gorrie, members of Prince of Peace Chapel of the Church of the Holy Trinity, have been successfully utilizing the "Penny-a-Meal" idea in making possible the purchase of many necessary things for the Chapel and parish house. These two women distributed 100 little banks to as many members of the congregation. The income from the banks has been averaging $50 a month, the Rev. William H. Pickford, Vicar of the Chapel, reports. Among the purchases made have been two handsome rugs for the Mothers' Meeting room, a brass Altar Cross, a gas water heater for the gymnasium showers and installation of electric wiring to illumine the Chancel stained glass windows.

Burd School Alumnus Honored

Miss Miriam May Mitchell, an honor student at the Burd School and at present a Junior at Hood College, Frederick, Md., has been elected President of the Athletic Association of her college. Miss Mitchell also is athletic editor of the Year Book and a member of the Varsity hockey and basketball teams. She graduated from the West Philadelphia High School "Laureata" in 1932.

More About Burd School Girls

For seven years a Burd School girl has been the winner of one of the West Philadelphia High School "circus" prizes. This school, of which the Rector and Vestry of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, are the Trustees and which receives girls between the ages of four and eight years without any charge for board, tuition or vocational training, believes in cultivating originality in its pupils. Cicely Pointer and Gwendolyn Moore won the first prize for "freaks" this year at the West Philadelphia High.

Congregation Remembers Sexton

The congregation of St. Paul's Church, Elkins Park, on Easter Day, marked Robert Godfrey's twenty-five years of faithful and continuous service as Sexton of the church by presenting him with a purse. The presentation was made on behalf of all the members of the parish by the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Philip J. Steinmetz. Mr. Godfrey began his service as Sexton on Easter Day in 1910.

This 10-Year-Old Boy Earns Distinction

Edwin Garrett, 10 years old and a member of the Church School of St.

John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, has won distinction in having his conception of subjects taught in the Lenten services for small children executed by him in colored crayon sketches displayed in the Church School room. The services were conducted by the Rev. J. Perry Cox, assistant to the Rector, prior to Mr. Cox's recent Ordination to the Diaconate. Master Edwin was a most interested attendant at the services. With his crayons he finished two drawings, one of four panels illustrating the Birth of Christ, The Flight into Egypt, The Crucifixion and The Resurrection. The second pictured Christ Speaking to the Multitude, and Christ Before Pilate. The Rector, the Rev. Dr. Tuke, was so pleased with Edwin's work that the crayons were hung in the Church School room. Edwin is a member of the class of which Mr. Ralph Bold is teacher.

Rector's Wife Is Scenic Artist

Many of those who witnessed the production of the Easter Pageant, "He Liveth," in the parish house of St. Matthew's Church, 18th Street and Girard Avenue, on Easter night were impressed by the beautiful scenery. It was all the handiwork of Mrs. Reese, wife of the Rev. C. Herbert Reese, Rector of the parish. The role of the Virgin Mary in the Pageant was enacted by a talented actress known professionally as Lesla Michell. But to everybody at St. Matthew's she was just Ruth Mitchell, one of the devoted parishioners. Miss Mitchell, notwithstanding her professional engagements, which take her all over the country, has never lost her contact with St. Matthew's and contributes regularly and generously to its support.

Corporate Communion of Vestry Auxiliary

St. James's Church, Philadelphia, has a Men's Auxiliary to the parish Vestry. H. Evans Taylor, a member of the Auxiliary, suggested to its members their coming together for a Corporate Communion at the early service on Palm Sunday, and 68 men responded to the suggestion.

Looks After Crippled Children

Dr. Horace S. Scott, for many years Rector's Warden of Trinity Church, Coatesville, in addition to his devotion to his parish, gives considerable of his time and attention to looking after crippled children in Chester County. He is the President of the Crippled Children's Society of the county, which looks after these little ones, supplies them at no cost with braces and other needed attention. Dr. Scott also is chief of staff of the Coatesville Hospital. In caring for the children no distinction is made as to race, color or creed.

Knights of St. John Field Day

Chapters of the Knights of St. John in this Diocese and their friends, who may be planning to take part in the Field Day ceremonies of the Knights on Ascension Day, May 30, at Memorial Park on the Perkiomen Creek near Collegeville, are requested to advise Division Commander W. G. Brown, 2614 N. 9th Street, Philadelphia, of their intentions and how many Knights will accompany them.

Gift from Italian Children

A group of Italian girls from among those with whom Miss Eleanor Deane is working at St. Elisabeth's in South Philadelphia, recently presented to the Department of Religious Education a set of pictures and articles on Missions. The girls had gathered numerous pictures from the "Spirit of Missions," together with articles relating to each, and arranged them most carefully in scrap books. The department is keeping them for reference and to show them as examples for other children to make like records.

New Parish Librarian of C. P. C.

Mrs. Frank R. Savidge is the new Librarian of the Church Periodical Club of St. David's, Radnor, and recently gave evidence of her interest by carrying 666 periodicals to the Seamen's Church Institute and delivering them to the Rev. P. R. Stockman, Superintendent of the Institute, for the use of the sailors.

Maybe He Can Be Borrowed

The Young People's Fellowship of St. Matthew's, 18th Street and Girard Avenue, in Fred Breitweiser has a member who is described as the "miracle property man" and "sound effects expert." When "properties" or "sound effects" are needed for entertainments or plays, Fred can construct anything from a ship's interior to a broadcasting station. He has produced many "sound effects," from those of a horse to a man being ridden out of town on a rail.

Gift of Altar Candlesticks

The Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany was recently presented with a pair of antique Florentine Altar Candlesticks, as a memorial to the late Julian Story, the celebrated American painter. They were the gift of Mrs. Story, who is one of the most active workers in the parish. They were dedicated by the Rector, the Rev. Thomas L. Harris, and used for the first time on Easter Day.

REV. A. H. HORD RETIRES FROM ACTIVE MINISTRY COVERING 44 YEARS

The Rev. Arnold H. Hord, for the past twenty-three years the faithful and efficient Registrar of the Diocese, and for the past eleven years Priest-in-Charge of St. George's Mission, East Venango and Edgemont Streets, has announced his intention to retire from his active ministry, covering a period of forty-four years in this Diocese.

Mr. Hord will resign his charge of St. George's on June 1st, and in response to his wishes the Bishop refrained from reappointing him as Registrar at the Diocesan Convention on May 7. The Bishop announced that he would appoint Mr. Hord's successor at a later date. Mr. Hord's retirement from active work is by reason of his physical condition and at the advice of his physician.

During Mr. Hord's service at St. George's he won a warm place in the hearts and affections of his congregation and made remarkable progress in strengthening the Church's work and service in that section of the city. Mr. Hord, who was born in Woodford county, Kentucky, graduated from the George Washington University, and was a member of the 1891 Graduating Class of the Philadelphia Divinity School. His entire active ministry has been spent in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

His first service after Ordination in 1891 was as Curate in Christ Church, Germantown, going from there to be Senior Curate at St. James's Church, 22nd and Walnut Streets. From 1894 to 1901 he was Rector of Emmanuel Church, Holmesburg, after which he was called to be Rector of St. Michael's Church, Germantown, serving then for about fourteen years, during which St. Michaels' Church was rebuilt. Throat trouble caused him to resign his rectorship until, in 1918, he became Secretary to Bishop Rhinelander, serving in that office until 1923, when he was appointed to take charge of St. George's.

Always interested in history and recognized as an authority, Mr. Hord for many years has been a member of the Executive Board of the Church Historical Society and also of the Church Advancement Society. He will continue to serve on both these boards. Mr. Hord was also a member of the committee appointed by the Diocesan Convention of 1906 that recommended the present Coat of Arms and Seal of the Diocese. Mr. Hord is also a member of the Virginia Historical Society and the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Christ Church, Upper Merion, to Mark 175th Anniversary

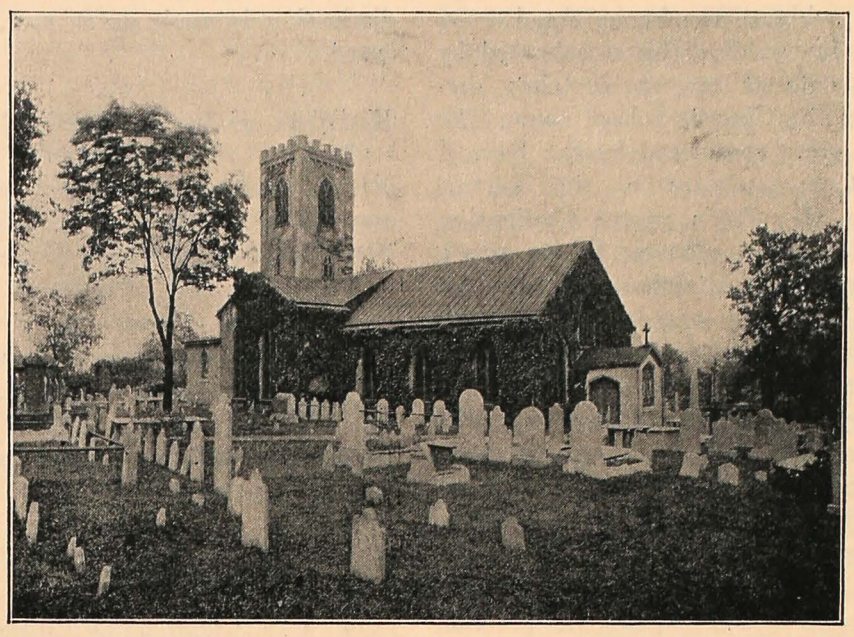
Historic Christ Church, Upper Merion, one of the four churches erected by the Early Swedish colonists who settled on the shores of the Delaware river in 1637 and who later made their way up the Schuylkill river to Upper Merion, will commemorate the 175th Anniversary of its foundation at a special service on Sunday, June 23.

Bishop Taitt has accepted an invitation to be the special preacher at the Commemoration Service, which will be held at 10.30 A. M. Descendants of the Early Swedes, representatives of the Swedish Historical Society, the Montgomery County Historical Society, county officials and officials of the nearby towns, will take part in the Commemoration at the invitation of the Rev. James H. Lamb, Jr., Rector of the church, and of the members of the Vestry.

For a number of years prior to the foundation of Christ Church, the Upper Merion Swedes attended church services at the older Swedish Churches, Gloria Dei, at "Wiccacoe" and St. James, "Kingsessing," passing down the Schuylkill river in canoes. With the coming of additional families from the lower settlements at "Wiccacoe" and "Kingsessing," came the desire for more convenient arrangements for services. At first services were held in the home of the Upper Merion Swedes with Lay Readers officiating. Occasional visitations were made by the ministers at Gloria Dei, when the services would be held in a schoolhouse that had been erected in 1735. Eventually land was purchased, building of a church was begun and ground was set apart for a burial ground. On June 25 this building was dedicated as Christ Church, Upper Merion. The dedication sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles Magnus Wrangel, who had been sent over in 1759 by the Archbishop of Sweden to take charge of the Swedish Missions.

Meanwhile with the coming of the English that language gradually superseded the Swedish in the lower settlements, and with the influx of a large number of Welsh settlers to the Upper Merion districts the English language also supplanted the Swedish there. The Swedish congregations were known as the "United Swedish Lutheran Churches of Wiccacoe, Kingsessing and Upper Merion," and their successive pastors were frequently assisted in the services by clergy of the Church of England, and the services of the English Church prevailed for the most part.

During the pastorate of the Rev. Dr. Nicholas Collin, who was the last of the Swedish pastors and whose service



A view of historic Christ Church, Upper Merion, one of the group of churches founded by the Early Swedes, the 175th Anniversary of which will be commemorated on Sunday, June 23, and at which the Bishop of the Diocese will be the preacher.

to the "United Swedish Churches" covered the forty-five years from 1786 to 1831, the Book of Common Prayer came into general use in all Swedish congregations and Dr. Collins was aided in his ministrations by a very considerable number of clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church. With Dr. Collin's death the Swedish Missions came to an end, and the Rev. J. C. Clay, a clergyman of the Protestant Episcipal Church, was called to serve the three congregations. In 1843 the union of the three churches was dissolved and in 1843 Dr. Clay became the Rector of Gloris Dei.

The first Rector of Christ Church after the dissolution entered upon his duties in July, 1844. Including Dr. Clay, Christ Church has been served by eleven Rectors since 1831. The others were Rev. Edwin N. Lightner, 1844-1855; Rev. Dr. William Henry Reese, 1855-1861; Rev. Dr. Thomas S. Yocum, 1861-1870; Rev. Octavious Perinchief, 1870-1873; Rev. Edward A. Warriner, 1873-1875; Rev. Octavious Perinchief, 1875-1876; Rev. A. A. Marple, 1877-1905; Rev. Dr. Charles W. Stockton, 1905-1908. The Rev. William Wordsworth Taylor, who died a few weeks ago, served from 1909 to 1925, and upon his retirement in 1925 was succeeded by the present Rector, the Rev. James H. Lamb.

SWEDES MAKE PILGRIMAGE TO ST. JAMES', KINGSESSING

Historic old St. James Church, 68th street and Woodland avenue, was the center for Swedish Pilgrimage on Sunday afternoon, April 28, at which a large number of Swedish citizens of Philadelphia and vicinity, commemorated the part which the Early Swedes had in the foundation of St. James. The Rev. William Roberts, Rector of St. James, members of the vestry and the congregation and members of the choir of St. James, welcomed the Pilgrims and took part in the commemorative service.

The Rev. Dr. Julius Lorimer, Pastor of historic Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, made a special address on the "Spiritual Heritage of the Swedish Colonists." Mr. Albert Duncan Yocum, President of the Swedish Colonial Society, also made an address. The Swedish Vasa Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Valdemar Olsen, rendered a special program of Swedish hymns.

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YOUNG PEOPLES FELLOWSHIP TRINITY CHAPEL, SOLEBURY

Trinity Chapel, Solebury, has been without a resident minister since Christmas and has been largely dependent upon student supplies, especially as the other clergy of the Country Centre Mission were so busy with the Lenten schedules in the other missions. Thus when a small group of young people purchase a curtain for the stage and raise the cost, $100, in four months time, it is a worthwhile achievement. A successful play, the first given by the Young People's Fellowship since the erection of the Parish Hall two years ago, was given after Easter. With the profits, a final payment was made on the curtain. Hitherto there has been no stage equipment. The young people built the scenery.

Lenten Experiment at St. Aidan's Chapel, Cheltenham

By the Rev. Herbert Boyce Satcher

Every year as Lent approaches most clergymen are faced with the problem of planning special services which will draw people to the church and will give them something of spiritual value. We are apt to fall into a rut and arrange the same round of mid-week evening services and Sunday evening services, with visiting preachers year after year, in addition to other accustomed devotions. This is all very well where there is a parochial tradition established, and where a considerable proportion of the people avail themselves of benefit of these added Lenten privileges. There are some parishes where these conditions do not obtain, owing to purely local circumstances or because there is not a sufficient background of churchly teaching. In such a case some other method has to be devised which will make the Lenten season of definite spiritual value in the lives of people and will endeavor to attach them more closely to the church.

During the Lenten season just past we made a rather unusual attempt in this direction at St. Aidan's Chapel, Cheltenham, which met with a most enthusiastic response. To put it briefly, we dispensed with the mid-week evening service, invited no visiting preachers, concentrated attention on the Sunday evening service and made the best use we could of the ministry of music. I am of the opinion that no music should ever be used in a service which does not make some definite contribution to the service as a whole, which does not reinforce the teaching to be conveyed, or add to what should make every service a unified act of worship. Consequently the ordinary type of so-called "musical service" would be out of the question, as it usually consists of numbers by the choir, or solos, mixed in with the parts of a mangled service, without any relationship to each other, and forming altogether a musical and liturgical hodge-podge. On the other hand, if organ recitals can be given in the church with propriety, there is no reason why other recitals may not also be given, as indeed I found to be the case in a number of English Cathedrals and parish churches. Sir Walford Davies and Dr. Harvey Grace, in their recent book on "Music and Worship," are careful to make the distinction between music in aid of worship and music as a vehicle of worship. The former may be as elaborate as resources will admit, but the latter should be simple enough for the greatest possible number to take part.

We therefore divided our Sunday evening Lenten program into two parts: (a) service, and (b) recital. The service was Choral Evensong, but sung to extremely simple music—the unison choral responses and a Psalm from "The American Psalter," a Plainsong Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in the two most grateful modes, the 8th and the 5th, with a congregational hymn for an Offertory. Only the Psalm and the hymn were changed each Sunday. Going into the pulpit I then explained briefly what was to follow, endeavoring to point out the spiritual content of the music, with some points about the composers and the compositions. Then followed the recital after which the blessing was pronounced from the pulpit. Specifically, the recitals were as follows:

I. Mary Bray, contralto: Sacred songs and arias by Bach, Handel, Brahms, and three Americans.
II. Bertrand Austin, violoncellist.
III. Choir of St. Mark's Church, 16th and Locust Streets, H. William Hawke, organist and choirmaster: Part I of Bach's "St. John Passion."
IV. Marjorie Tyre, harpist of the Philadelphia Orchestra.
V. (1) St. Aidan's Choir: Mendelssohn's "Hear My Prayer" (15 minutes).
(2) Brass Quartet: Four Bach Chorales (15 minutes).
(3) Congregational "Hymn Sing": Six splendid but less familiar tunes (30 minutes).
VI. St. Aidan's Choir, Elsie Tucker, organist and choirmaster: Haydn's "Passion."

Much preparatory work had to be done in advance. The whole-hearted support of choir and organizations was obtained, the recitalists invited, rehearsals arranged, programs discussed and approved, adequate publicity in local newspaper procured. Then the parish had to be informed. A card 4½ by 11 inches was printed describing the project, with dates and names of recitalists, except No. V, which was kept as a surprise. Space was provided at the bottom for each individual receiving a card to sign it and keep it before him as a reminder. I distributed most of the cards to parishioners in person. Others were mailed to interested friends.

As to results, some nights the Chapel was filled to overflowing and many people were turned away, other nights it was comfortably filled. Various opinions were expressed; some did not like the Choral Service, others thought it very beautiful; some did not care for an instrumental recital in Church. The effect on the other Sunday services showed a decreased attendance, as many people cannot be lured to church more than once a Sunday, even in Lent. Whether or not the object was achieved of elevating the spiritual tone of the parish is problematical, but probably as much was accomplished in that direction as if six special sermons had been preached, and certainly very many more people were reached than would have been reached by the six sermons. This account is written in order that we may share our experience with the rest of the Diocese.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE, MAY 19 TO JULY 7

May 19—Fourth Sunday after Easter.
A. M.—Wynnewood, All Saints.
P. M.—Stonehurst, St. Giles.
May 26—Fifth Sunday after Easter.
A. M.—West Chester, Holy Trinity.
P. M.—Sleighton Farm.
Evg.—Downingtown, St. James.
May 30—Ascension Day.
Evg.—Phila., St. Alban, Olney.
June 2—Sunday after Ascension Day.
A. M.—Elkins Park, St. Paul.
P. M.—Willow Grove, St. Anne.
Evg.—Bristol, St. James.
June 9—Whitsunday.
A. M.—Radnor, St. Martin.
P. M.—Lansdowne, St. John.
Evg.—Phila., Annunciation.
June 16—Trinity Sunday.
A. M.—Radnor, St. David.
P. M.—Great Valley, St. Peter.
Evg.—Swarthmore, Trinity.
June 23—First Sunday after Trinity.
P. M.—Yeadon, St. Michael.
Evg.—Phila., St. John the Evangelist.
June 30—Second Sunday after Trinity.
A. M.—Concord, St. John.
A. M.—Rockdale, Calvary.
P. M.—Phila., St. Mary Annunciation.
Evg.—Brookline, St. Faith.
July 2—Tuesday.
Evg.—Morrisville, Incarnation.
July 7—Third Sunday after Trinity.
A. M.—Warwick, St. Mary.
P. M.—Compass, St. John.
Evg.—Honeybrook, St. Mark.

MISSION WANTS CHAIRS

The Rev. Charles Levy, priest-in-charge of our new Mission of the Beloved Disciple in West Philadelphia, is in need of chairs. Almost any kind will do. If any one has any to spare communicate with Dean Taylor, or with Mr. Levy direct.

"Love has a hem to its garments which reaches the very dust;
It can touch the stains of the streets and lanes,
And because it can, it must."

MR. AND MRS. HOUSTON OPEN THEIR BEAUTIFUL GARDENS TO AID THE HOUSE OF REST

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Houston, of St. Martin-in-the-Fields Parish, on Saturday, May 11, opened to the public for the benefit of the House of Rest for the Aged their beautiful gardens at "Druim Moir," Chestnut Hill, in connection with the home's "Garden Day in May" and, in addition, assumed all the responsibilities for the reception and entertainment of the upwards of 650 who were present.

It is rarely that the gardens at "Druim Moir" are open for public inspection, and the opportunity so generously provided by Mr. and Mrs. Houston for the friends of the House of Rest to see the gardens and enjoy the hospitality of the host and hostess, helped to make the "Garden Day in May" a most delightful event. It was the first time that the House of Rest has held a "Garden Day" The weather was just right, and Mr. and Mrs. Houston spared no effort to make the event most enjoyable for all who availed themselves of the opportunity to be present. Mr. and Mrs. Houston looked after all the details. There was nothing for the Board of Managers to do but reach as many of their friends of the House of Rest, and others interested in the care of the aged, and invite them to come.

Everyone who did come was given the opportunity of contributing a silver offering to help the House of Rest meet its pressing needs in caring for the guests of the home. Invitations had been sent to the Rectors of all Parishes inviting them and the members of their congregations, who might be interested in the work which the House of Rest is doing, to come. The many who did come helped to make the "Garden Day in May" one which will not soon be forgotten.

The next event the Board of Managers is preparing for is the annual "Spring Tea," which will be held on the grounds of the home, 5919 Wayne Avenue, Germantown, on Wednesday, June 12, from 3 to 6 P. M. Bishop Taitt will be a special guest and will make an address at 4.30 o'clock.

The Bucks County Church School Association will meet on Friday, May 24, at St. Andrew's, Yardley, at which Miss Mary Simms, of the Diocesan Department of Religious Education, will make an address on "Religious Drama and Worship." Members of the Church School of St. Andrew's will present a religious play.

Happy and at Home in Her Room at the House of Rest

Meet Miss Etta Schofield!

She is the oldest of the large family of Residents at our House of Rest for the Aged, 5919 Wayne Avenue, Germantown, where the devoted and sympathetic Board of Managers of this splendid home for the aged is bringing sunshine and happiness into the lives of its 26 guests, and is also putting up an heroic struggle in the face of existing economic conditions and increasing demands, and the Board's efforts to maintain the high standards which have marked the home's 43 years of history in providing a real home for the aged.

THE CHURCH NEWS was able to obtain this picture of Miss Schofield and the peace and serenity in the face of this dear old lady as she sits by the window. It is typical of the spirit which pervades the entire home and which finds expression in the faces of all its guests. If you have never visited the House of Rest and met this group of ladies, then do so at your earliest opportunity. You will be most welcome. If you do make this visitation it is most likely that THE CHURCH NEWS may never be again called upon to direct the attention of its readers and all members of the Church to the need of standing behind the Board of Managers with their prayers, their interest, and such measure of support as their means may permit. And everybody can give something, be it ever so little.

Miss Schofield, whose picture accompanies this brief article, is 91 years young and is one of the happiest and most sprightly members of the happy family which knows the House of Rest as home in every sense of that word. She is a devoted Churchwoman, with a zest for life, a sense of humor, and a remarkable memory.

Bishop Taitt is one of her special favorites. To her the Bishop is "one of my boys." She never tires of telling how she knew him when he was a "little boy" going to Old Christ Church, and she remembers him when he was choir boy in that church. Every time the Bishop comes to the House of Rest he never fails to greet Miss Schofield, and when the Bishop takes his leave of her, Miss Schofield, with a twinkle in her eye, cautions him to be "a good boy."

Miss Schofield, as a little girl, was a member of Old St. Paul's Church, in Third Street, below Walnut, now the

home of our City Mission. Subsequently she became a communicant of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, and for many years taught a Sunday School class in that church. For many years also Miss Schofield was a worker in the Bethesda Home, Chestnut Hill. She has been a guest of the House of Rest for 25 years. Her Prayer Book and the Bible are her constant companions, and she is able not only to read both each day but finds enjoyment in knitting and doing crochet work.

CITY MISSION CHAPLAIN TELLS OF SLEIGHTON FARM WORK AMONG 400 GIRLS

Out beyond Media, off the Baltimore pike, there is an institution little known to most of our Church people, where one of the finest pieces of work in social readjustment in the whole country is being carried on. I am speaking of Sleighton Farm, where there are more than 400 girls, all committed by the court, and ranging from twelve to twenty years of age. Lack of space forbids my going into detail concerning all the splendid things that are done for these girls to enable them to take their place again in society. Suffice it to say that the character of the work may be judged by the fact that in a recent survey of 100 cases, out over ten years, it was found that over 75 per cent of the girls had made a complete readjustment and were doing well.

In the eyes of the Superintendent, Miss Morrison, her assistants and the Board of Managers, religion plays no small part in this work of rehabilitation. Through their hearty co-operation our City Mission has been able for many years to carry on a helpful and constructive religious work. Deaconess Bertha Mills, of our City Mission staff, gives her whole time to this work, both in teaching and individual visiting at the Farm, and also in the very important work of keeping in touch with many of the girls by visits and letters after they leave the Farm.

I have the privilege of having a Choral Eucharist there every Sunday morning at 11.15, and also on the first Friday morning of the month at 7 o'clock for communions, spending the afternoon and evening of the day before in holding interviews and hearing confessions. From the 1st of February until the 1st of June we hold weekly Confirmation instructions. In our present class we have about thirty. The Bishop of the Diocese comes to us for Confirmation Sunday afternoon, May 26th.

Of the 400 girls now on the Farm, 110 attend our services, nearly all of whom are communicants, except those now preparing for Confirmation.

Our great need at the Farm, however, is a Chapel. Miss Morrison said to me not long ago: "Father Smith, don't you know someone who will give us a Chapel?" How I wish I did. I don't, but God does, I am sure, and He will give it if we are only interested enough to pray for it.

The purpose of this short article is to enlist your sympathy and ask you to cut out and to say the appended prayer daily. We are all using it at the Farm. If we do our part God will surely do His.

What a beautiful opportunity for a memorial,—a House of Worship for girls in memory of a mother, a sister, or a daughter.

PRAYER

V. Thou shalt build me a house,
R. *That my name may dwell there.*

O Almighty and Everlasting God, we beseech Thee to put it into the hearts of some of the faithful and generous servants to give the funds for a Chapel at Sleighton Farm, to the praise and worship of Thy Holy Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ALFRED M. SMITH,
Episcopal City Mission Chaplain.

CHILDREN OF NEW MISSION IN NORTH PHILA. PRESENT FIRST LENTEN OFFERING

Children of the new St. Paul's Mission, North Penn, in the Convocation of North Philadelphia, held their first festival service on the afternoon of Easter Day, at which they presented their first Lenten Mite Box Offering for Missions. This Mission is a development of the "Village Chapel," and is located at 2251 W. Cumberland Street, in that section of North Philadelphia formerly known as "North Penn Village" and which remained a somewhat isolated community until it was submerged in the real estate development which took up all the open land with homes.

It was started as a community center for the thousands of colored people who have settled in that part of the city under the direction of the Rev. P. R. Stockman, Dean of the Convocation, with the Rev. Charles Levy, then in Deacon's Orders, in charge. Following Mr. Levy's advancement to the priesthood, and his transfer to the Mission of the Beloved Disciple in West Philadelphia, the Rev. Dr. James N. Deaver, priest-in-charge of St. Christopher's Mission, has been in charge of St. Paul's as well as St. Christopher's.

Over 100 were present at the Easter Festival Service of the Church School. The children rendered a special musical program. Their parents were greatly interested when Dr. Deaver, questioning the children on the lessons they had been taught in the Church School, received answers showing they absorbed and understood the instruction given them by their teachers.

TO RESTORE OLD CHURCH OF THE ADVENT (POLISH), DAMAGED BY FIRE APRIL 1

Under the direction of Archdeacon Bullitt the old Church of the Advent, 507 York avenue, in the North Philadelphia Convocation, which was seriously damaged by a fire of undetermined origin on Monday, April 1, will be restored. The fire damage to the property amounted to approximately $8300, and the insurance will cover the cost of restoration.

Since the fire our Polish congregation, which was worshipping there, has been using the facilities of the Hebrew Christian Synagogue, which adjoins the church to the north. This building houses our work among the Jews and was formerly the rectory of the old Church of the Advent, when the latter was the home of a flourishing English-speaking congregation. The Church of the Advent dates back close to 100 years, and the great Phillips Brooks was once Rector of the parish before he was called to be Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, and from the latter went to Trinity Church, Boston, to become eventually the Sixth Bishop of Massachusetts. The late Rt. Rev. John Poyntz Tyler, the Fourth Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, was also Rector of the Advent at one time.

For many years our Polish brethren have been worshipping at the Advent. It was transferred there from the old Church of the Evangelists in Catharine street near Eighth in South Philadelphia. Some months before the first of April, the old Church of the Advent was renovated and a very considerable part of the work was done by the members of the Polish congregation, under the leadership of their priest, the Rev. E. M. Baczewski. In the fire of April 1, which started in the roof above the Sanctuary, the flames swept through the interior, destroying the Altar completely as well as most of the pews. The Altar Vestments and the Choir Vestments were also destroyed, together with the Communion Service. The Altar, which had been imported from Italy, was formerly in the old Church of the Evangelists.

The insurance did not cover the vestments, and the priest-in-charge will welcome the donation of vestments from any parish which may have some it can spare.

The Woman's Auxiliary Department

Edited by MARY B. SPAHR

UNITED THANK OFFERING PRESENTATION SERVICE, MAY 2, TOTALS $10,002

The thirty-first Annual Service of the women of the Diocese of Pennsylvania for the Presentation of the United Thank Offering was held on Thursday, May 2nd, at All Saints' Church, Moyamensing.

In spite of the pouring rain, and the great distance for most of them, about 400 women turned out to take part in this great and inspiring event.

The Bishop of the Diocese was the Celebrant, as is his custom, assisted by the Rev. Henry Mitchell, of St. Mary's Church, Wayne. The Rectors of the two churches that led the Diocese in the amount of their Thank Offering during the past Triennium were to assist also, namely, the Rev. Leicester C. Lewis, of St. Martin's-in-the-Field, and the Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody, of St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill. The former was numbered among the missing, and the latter was prevented from attending by the pressure of professional duties.

The Rev. Harold Adye Prichard, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mt. Kisco, New York, was the speaker, and delivered one of the best-thought-out and most apt and inspiring sermons that has ever been presented at one of our Diocesan U. T. O. services. He linked his sermon up much more closely with the actual work of the U. T. O. and our part in it than has ever been done before, and we are all most grateful to him for making the trip over here, for his splendid address, and for helping with other parts of the service, which he was unexpectedly called upon to do.

The women selected to take up the offering were from the three Parishes giving the largest amount during the Triennium 1931-1934, and the three Parishes or Auxiliaries that increased their offering the most during the same period. These were the U. T. O. Treasurers of:

St. Martin's-in-the-Field, Mrs. Henry P. Brown, Jr.

St. Paul's, Chestnut Hill, Mrs. Staunton B. Peck.

Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, Mrs. Charles Norris (President of the Woman's Auxiliary, representing Mrs. Horace Bullock.)

Messiah, Oxford Circle, Mrs. George Nauss. (The offering from this Parish was increased thirty-eight times over the last Triennium.)

Phillips Brooks Memorial Chapel, Mrs. Esther Taylor. (The offering from this Chapel was increased seventeen times, but Mrs. Taylor was unable to be present.)

All Saints', Moyamensing, Junior Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. Martin represented this group. (Their offering was increased nine and one-half times.)

Due to the absence abroad of the Assistant U. T. O. Treasurer of the

Reports at Mission Study Classes Closing Session Show Year of Increased Interest and Development

The growth and development of the Mission Study Classes during the past year under the leadership of Mrs. Bullitt, Educational Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, and her corps of Convocational Secretaries and other leaders, was shown at the Closing Session of the Classes on Monday night, April 29th, in the Parish House of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

A report of the year's work showed that at least 3,000 persons have been touched by the Mission Study subject. In addition to the Diocesan and the Convocational Secretaries there were 30 Leaders and a total of 52 Classes. There were 26 All-Day Institutes held; 12 meetings in which a total of 33 Parishes were represented, and 2 Diocesan Classes were conducted throughout the season. Summarized the contacts showed a 33 per cent advance over the previous year.

Mrs. Bullitt, who is retiring this year, after serving faithfully for the past three years, thanked all of the 30 Leaders and the Convocational Secretaries for their co-operation and for the great success which had attended their year's work. The six Convocational Secretaries occupied places on the platform. The 30 active Leaders were all brought forward so that the entire audience might look into their faces and know all of them.

In telling of her intention to retire as Educational Secretary, Mrs. Bullitt said: "When I became Secretary I found the work splendidly planned by Mrs. Hill, so it was easy to go forward. Now I hope my friends who are so capable will prove their loyalty by carrying on under a new, talented, trained-in-New-York leader."

Most of the Convocations, it was explained, showed much increase in interest, partly due to Educational Days being held in one or two central places in the Convocations during the Fall. Mrs. Reifsnider's letter was read by Mrs. Jasper Nicolls, the Treasurer, pleading that our prayers go with the offering to aid in the work to save children in Minami Senju, a slum of Tokyo.

The Mission Study Classes Offering for this work to the date of the Closing Session amounted to $630. This sum will provide 63,000 meals for the children at the Emergency Kitchen which is being conducted by Bishop Reifsniders' wife.

The need for more Parish Educational Secretaries was urged at the meeting. There are 98 at present and there are 56 auxiliaries still needing them.

A tribute was paid to Mrs. Edward H. Bonsall, Educational Secretary at St. Matthew's, 18th Street and Girard Avenue, for many years, and who recently passed away. Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Pancoast, Mrs. Persons, Mrs. Temple and Mrs. Underhill were missed as active Leaders. Attention was called to Mrs. John Hamilton Moore, of Wilmington, having been most generous in the giving of her time and of the enthusiasm created in the Normal Class she led. The Manual for Leaders by Dr. Sherman was commended as being unusually good and the Blue Prints prepared by Mrs. Lyons were also commended as being helpful and full of telling information.

Mrs. William W. Morris told of our Missionaries who have gone out from Pennsylvania and then Dr. Mabel E. Elliott was presented as the speaker of the evening. Dr. Elliott is one of our Missionaries from Pennsylvania and comes from the Church of The Saviour, West Philadelphia.

Dr. Elliott told of the work being done by St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, the great institution founded by the late Dr. R. B. Teusler, and where the speaker is a member of the medical staff and, it may be noted here, Dr. Elliott is the first American woman to have been licensed to practice in Japan. The Doctor is a most charming looking woman, with snow white hair, but young and active, with great personal charm and a delightful sense of humor. As she told of her work in behalf of the sick children of Japan she made everyone wish they could work with her for those little Japanese children.

Dr. Elliott paid a splendid tribute to the memory of the founder of St. Luke's "that he being dead yet speaketh" and that the work he erected and the influence he exerted will ever carry on.

Diocese, Mrs. George Roberts, the Treasurer was assisted in counting the Offering, and at the meeting afterwards by Mrs. Edward Ingersoll and Miss Mary Margaret Mitchell.

The amount presented at the service was $10,002.

This is about $1,200 behind the first offering of the last Triennium, April, 1932, and, while not bad, does not give very great promise of an increased Offering at Cincinnati in 1937. More and more women giving to the U. T. O. is our only hope, and to the Rectors who may be reading this may we ask that they will put a Blue Box into the hands of every girl and woman confirmed in their Parishes each year, explaining the use of it, and in this way assuring the continuity of the United Thank Offering?

Many thanks are due to Mrs. Hill, our Diocesan President, for arranging the details of this beautiful service. It was a great pleasure to have it in her husband's Parish, but great regret was felt that due to illness, Mr. Hill was unable to be in the Chancel. The flowers on the Altar were in memory of Miss Margaret T. Holcomb, late U. T. O. Treasurer of All Saints' Church.

After the service a meeting of U. T. O. Treasurers was held in the Parish House, at which, among other things, the Triennial Reports were distributed.

It was felt by all that this was one of the most inspiring and satisfying services for the Presentation of the United Thank Offering that has ever taken place, and our gratitude goes out to our Bishop, to the choir and staff of All Saints' Church, and especially to Canon Prichard, who did such an admirable job in his sermon.

MARIAN D. VAN PELT,
Diocesan Treasurer, U. T. O.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 8, ATTENDED BY OVER FOUR HUNDRED

Four hundred and thirty-five women, representing about eighty Parishes of the Diocese, met at the Penn Athletic Club on Wednesday, May 8, for the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. The meeting was opened by Bishop Taitt and the Rt. Rev. Frederick B. Bartlett, D.D., Missionary Bishop of North Dakota and Executive Secretary of the Department of Domestic Missions of the National Council, was the special speaker.

Officers elected for the annual meeting for the ensuing three years follow:

Honorary President, Mrs. John Markoe.

President, Mrs. John E. Hill.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Edward Ingersoll.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. B. Franklin Pepper.

Third Vice-President and Chairman of Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. J. Burris West.

Secretary, Mrs. A. Mosely Hopkins, Jr.

Treasurer, Mrs. Jasper W. Nicolls.

Treasurer, United Thank Offering, Mrs. John H. Van Pelt.

Chairman Supply Department, Mrs. Benjamin W. Frazier.

Educational Secretary, Mrs. Thomas L. Harris.

The Diocesan Committee and the Foreign Committee have just had their Triennial elections and the following officers have been elected:

Foreign Committee

Chairman, Mrs. Marmaduke Tilden; Vice-Chairmen, Mrs. William J. Haines, Mrs. S. Naudain Duer, Mrs. Donald D. Dodge; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Watson; Assistant Treasurer, Miss Louise Herring; Registrar, Mrs. Harold Austin; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Dean H. Parker; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Malcolm E. Peabody.

Diocesan Committee

Chairman, Mrs. Edward Ingersoll; Second Vice-Chairman, Mrs. William Hewson; Third Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Alan Reed; Treasurer, Mrs. Eugene Simonin.

The other officers of the Diocesan Committee are to continue in office.

SUPPLY DEPT. REPORT

The report of the Supply Department of the Woman's Auxiliary, presented at the annual meeting, follows:

"The Diocese of Pennsylvania, during the year 1934, through your Supply Department, filled the requisitions of 2 Hospitals, 3 Schools, and 5 Missions. We also sent 19 Personal Boxes, and 20 Christmas gifts to Women Missionaries.

"Our success depends entirely upon those who work for us at the Church House, and the Parish Auxiliaries. Without their help, those of us in the office can accomplish nothing, and we want you all to know how much we appreciate all that you have done, and we want to tell you what a pleasure it is to work with such a cheerful and efficient band of workers.

"We are suffering a little because of the growing realization in the Auxiliaries that the quota comes first. Of course, that is true, but please remember that, while the quota means bread and butter, or nowadays plain bread, the Supply Department means clothing, without whcih bread is not of much use.

"We cannot leave you here without expressing to you our deep appreciation of the splendid response to our last appeal for money towards the 'Ready-made Fund.' The collection taken, at Mrs. Hill's request, at the annual Auxiliary luncheon, on May 8, was $147.37, and we also received pledges at that luncheon for $75.00, so that our deficit of $262.00 was met all but $40.00, most of which amount has since come into this department. Certainly such loyalty cannot go unmentioned, and we are most grateful to every Auxiliary in this Diocese for coming so nobly to our rescue.

"ADELINE P. PAUL."

UNEMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

To the many Parish Auxiliaries who have helped through the long winter to carry along the work of the Unemployment Committee we extend our sincere thanks. It has been a joy to behold the ever ready response of generous and sympathetic women whenever the need of our unemployed women has been presented.

Many of the women who have come to us for help have been refreshed and encouraged and have gone to new work.

If You Want to See Your Friends and Enjoy Being With Them Come to the Episcopal Hospital on Wednesday, May 22nd

THE SECOND ANNUAL MAY DAY FETE

Under the auspices of the Episcopal Hospital Unit of the Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service will be held on the spacious lawns from 11 A. M. to 6 P. M. on that day.

See the Great Work Your Hospital Is Doing

In addition to the enjoyment of participation in the Fete, the occasion will permit all members of the Church to see the many Departments of the Hospital and the service it renders to the sick and injured.

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In event of rain the Fete will be held in one of the Hospital buildings.

After five years of struggling for their very existence some of our workers are fighting a losing battle with strength and health and, as sometimes does happen, a losing fight with nerves or mind. Please remember these and help us to keep this work alive through the summer, no matter in how small a measure. The very fact that this work is here, and that our women can turn to it in financial emergency, means a great deal.

ANNA D. DICKSON.

"EARN-FIVE-DOLLAR" GROUP MARKS TENTH ANNIVERSARY

Ten years ago, Mrs. Walter Bowers, of St. John's, Lansdowne, suggested to a group of her friends a plan whereby they could each earn five dollars for the Parish. Their number has grown along with their interest. At a Birthday Luncheon on Monday, May 6, the charter members told of the varied activities and successes. Some made rolls, jellies, marmalades; some taxied their families about, while others rented chairs to bridge parties. One person substituted in School for her offering; while another pressed her husband's and son's suits to make her contribution. Various other methods were used and this year $190 was presented to the Rector. Rev. Dr. Charles E. Tuke.

THE WOMAN'S AID
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Norristown Convocation
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ANNUAL COUNTY FAIR
Saturday, June 8
From 2 to 8 P. M.
At "BEND TERRACE"

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Exhibition Tennis Match at 4.30!

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SUPPER FROM 6 TO 7.15 P. M.

Proceeds for Missions of the Convocation. In case of rain the commodious Parish House of All Hallows, across the road.

Girls' Friendly Society
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THE G.F.S. HOLIDAY HOUSE AT CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY, OPENS FOR SEASON JUNE 29

The Holiday House Committee of the Girls Friendly Society of the Diocese is now actively completing plans for the 1935 season at Cape May, N. J. From June 29 to Labor Day, the House will be open for members and other guests. Attention is called to the fact that non-members are welcome from June 29 to July 20, or at any time during the season when there is room. Anyone desiring a delightful vacation are advised to make arrangements as to when they can be accommodated.

Rates are $10 a week for Members and Associates, and $15 for non-members. Single rooms, $12 and $18, respectively. Mrs. William W. Cardwell, 943 Church Lane, Yeadon, Delaware county, Pa., will gladly furnish any additional information.

The splendid old House in the centre of Cape May, with airy porches, bath houses and all modern improvements, has undergone some necessary repairs and will be found most attractive and comfortable. There will be a Conference of Branch Presidents and Associates to start the season off, during the week-end, June 21 to June 23, and regular season will start June 29.

LEAGUE FOR ISOLATED

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, May 29th, at 2.30, at the Church House. This being the last one of the season all the members of the Committee are urged to be present. Anyone who is interested in this work is most cordially invited to attend.

We have been grateful for opportunities to speak of the work at meetings of the parish Woman's Auxiliaries and will be glad of engagements with any of our Church organizations. These may be made through the Executive Office of the Woman's Auxiliary at the Church House.

LETITIA GLENN BIDDLE, *Chairman.*

JUNIOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Junior Woman's Auxiliary held their Annual Supper Meeting Tuesday, May 7th, at the Warburton House, 20th and Sansom Streets.

It was a most inspiring sight to see a group of 250 young women present, and to hear the reports made by the Chairman of each committee.

We are continuing to grow, as five new Auxiliaries have been taken in this year. We now have 32 Junior Branches in the Diocese, and a membership of approximately 800.

The Auxiliaries have spent over $2,000 during the year. This includes money sent to the five Standing Committees, United Thank Offering, St. Michael's and All Angels, Unemployment Committee, etc.

We were privileged in having with us the Rev. Charles H. Collett, Rector of the Church of Christ and St. Michael's, Germantown, as our guest speaker, and the Rev. Richard T. Lyford, of St. Asaph's, Bala, who told us about the Conferences for Woman's Auxiliaries.

After the supper and meeting, Mrs. Paul Moore entertained us by showing the moving pictures which she took of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary Conference last spring at Orkney Springs, Va.

EMMA E. BREHM, *Secretary.*

THE WOMAN'S AID
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Germantown Convocation
will hold its
ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY
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KANUGA LAKE CONFERENCE

The summer program at Kanuga Lake, Conference Center of the Episcopal Church, near Hendersonville, N. C., will be opened on June 10, with a Retreat for Women. Following this, the program of conferences will comprise conferences for young people, junior conferences for boys and girls, Adult and Clergy conferences, with special condensed conference for laymen.

On July 27, until September 2, the property, consisting of large lake, Inn, annexes and pavilion, will be operated for resort purposes, with boys' camp, situated nearby, in connection therewith. Golf, tennis, horseback riding, swimming and boating offer inducements for the vacation period.

Among the many leaders in the Church who will be connected with the conferences at Kanuga this season will be: the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, Executive Secretary for the Department of Social Service, of the National Council; the Rev. Arthur M. Sherman, D.D., Secretary for Missionary Education; Miss Mabel Lee Cooper, Secretary for Teachers' Training, and Mrs. D. D. Taber, Field Representative for the Woman's Auxiliary.

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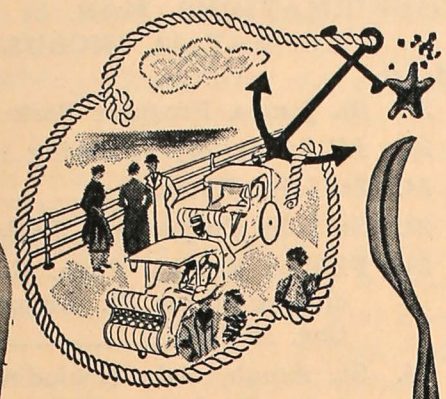
CONFIRMATIONS, MAR. 21 TO MAY 12, INCLUSIVE

March		
21.	St. James, Prospect Park	14
24.	All Saints, Myoamensing	30
24.	St. John, Cynwyd	12
24.	St. John Chrysostom, Phila.	24
24.	Phillips Brooks, Phila. (including 6 for St. Augustine, Phila.)	24
24.	St. Asaph, Bala (including 1 for St. James, Phila.)	17
24.	St. Andrew, West Manayunk	10
27.	St. Luke, Chester	5
27.	St. Stephen, Clifton Heights	18
28.	St. Stephen, Norwood	25
29.	Crucifixion, Phila.	8
31.	Redeemer, Bryn Mawr	20
31.	Trinity, Collingdale (including 1 received)	33
31.	St. Philip, West Phila.	5
31.	The Saviour, West Phila. (including 1 received)	22
31.	Holy Comforter, Aronimink	10
31.	Christ, Ridley Park	10
April		
4.	St. Paul, Chester	47
7.	St. Stephen, Phila.	18
7.	St. Simon the Cyrenian, Phila.	71
7.	St. Mary, Ardmore (including 1 received)	42
10.	All Saints, Darby	13
11.	Holy Comforter, Phila.	11
13.	St. Mary, Wayne	9
14.	St. Peter, Phila. (including 1 received)	22
14.	Incarnation, Drexel Hill	5
14.	Resurrection, Phila. (including 1 for Gloria Dei, Phila.)	24
17.	Holy Trinity, Phila. (including 2 received)	21
20.	St. Mark, Phila.	8
21.	Christ, Phila.	26
21.	Gloria Dei, Phila. (including 1 for Resurrection, Phila.)	13
21.	Holy Sacrament, Highland Park (including 1 for St. Mary, Ardmore)	9
28.	Trinity, Coatesville	10
28.	Ascension, West Chester	4
28.	Ascension, Parkesburg	
28.	Our Saviour, Jenkintown	32
May		
3.	St. Thomas, Phila.	30
5.	Good Samaritan, Paoli	33
5.	Christ, Media	14
5.	Advent, Kennett Square	7
9.	Valley Forge Military Academy	
12.	St. Paul, West Whiteland	12
12.	Good Shepherd, Rosemont	22



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CHURCH TRAINING SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

The Church Training School of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, located at 708 Spruce street, will hold its forty-third Commencement Exercises on Wednesday, May 29, at 3 P. M., in St. Peter's Church, Third and Pine streets. The service will be under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Edward M. Jefferys, Rector of St. Peter's, and Chaplain of the School. Bishop Taitt will officiate. The Rev. Howard R. Weir, Rector of Holy Trinity Church, and a member of the school faculty, will preach the Commencement Sermon.

Those receiving diplomas are Miss Marjorie Susanna Bailey, of St. Louis; Miss Helen Agnes Dell'Alba, of Wind Gap, Pa.; Miss Elizabeth Page Smith, of Providence, R. I. Miss Elizabeth Stanton Parker, of Augusta, Me., has completed the full academic course and is to receive the diploma when she has completed the required practical work. Special students who will receive credit for courses satisfactorily completed are Miss Gertrude Selzer, missionary nurse on furlough from China; the Misses Florence and Ivy May Hardman, of Riverside, N. J.; Miss Helen M. Vickerman, of Philadelphia.

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Book Reviews

Desire and the Universe. By Rev. John K. Shryock, Ph.D. Centaur Press, Philadelphia. 360 pages; $3.50.

It is an Irish paradox to say that if you would understand one country you must live in another. The truth contained in this paradox may easily be transferred to religions, and it is unquestionably true that if one would understand any particular religion one must study carefully other religions.

It is precisely this which the author of this both history and philosophy of Christianity has done, and it is precisely this which is of value in the book. Dr. Shryock is indeed a priest of our American Church, resident in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and for this we may be justly proud. His study of Christianity, however, is based not upon mere investigation of that religion, no matter how prolonged and profound such study might be. What gives value to his volume is the fact that he is intimately at home in religions other than Christianity, and thus his approach to Christianity is from the ecumenical standpoint. Dr. Shryock was for many years a missionary in China. He is a recognised student of Chinese. He has lived for some time in a Buddhist monastery and has saturated himself with Buddhist thought. Beside this he has read long and widely in the phenomena of other great world religions, during his graduate study at the University of Pennsylvania. It is because of all this that he aptly illustrates the Irish saying quoted above. He is uniquely fitted to talk about the Christian religion just because he is so well grounded in other religions.

The thesis of the book may be said briefly to be, that religions are the answer of man created to supply his own needs, and that of the various supplies answering the needs of man, Christianity is the most serviceable and worthwhile. As the work covers most of the prominent religions of the world in considerable detail and from many angles, any detailed criticism in the space at our disposal would manifestly be out of place. The technical philosophical student may wonder time and again at some of the remarks made in the course of this study, yet this is by no means a criticism of the work; rather it is a tribute to the stimulating style and content of one of the most valuable studies of religion with which this reviewer is acquainted. No one can work through carefully the multitude of data presented in these pages

without being definitely instructed and in many cases clearly enlightened about some of the most perplexing and persistent problems of religion.

We commend this book wholeheartedly to the religious world in general and to our own Diocese in particular. It is definitely creditable to us that one of our parish clergy should have produced a work like this. We wish that all our brethren of the clergy might speedily find this volume upon their shelves, not only for their own edification, but also because there is much unusual sermon material scattered throughout these pages, which might prove of interest to many congregations. LEICESTER C. LEWIS.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

A meeting of the Church Periodical Club was held on March 29th which proved to be very interesting as well as helpful, all members entering heartily into both the old and new business; afterwards enjoying an informal talk by Miss Jacob, librarian at the Episcopal Hospital. She gave an insight into her work there, stressing the need of good reading matter for the patients.

"The Spirit of Missions" for April contained a splendid tribute to the Church Periodical Club by the Rev. Alexander Macbeth, who writes in glowing terms of the help that he and his people receive from the C. P. C.

It is gratifying to hear of the valuable aid rendered by the C. P. C. to those near and far in the mission fields.

MARY M. H. ONYX,
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CARE OF CHILDREN

The Church children's agencies group had the fourth and final meeting of their series on May 13th at the Church House. It was a combined meeting with the Clerical Brotherhood, as the address was of interest to both clergymen and social workers.

Miss Mary Wood Daley, Director of Education at Sleighton Farm, gave a challenging address on the Religious Factor in the Social Care of Children.

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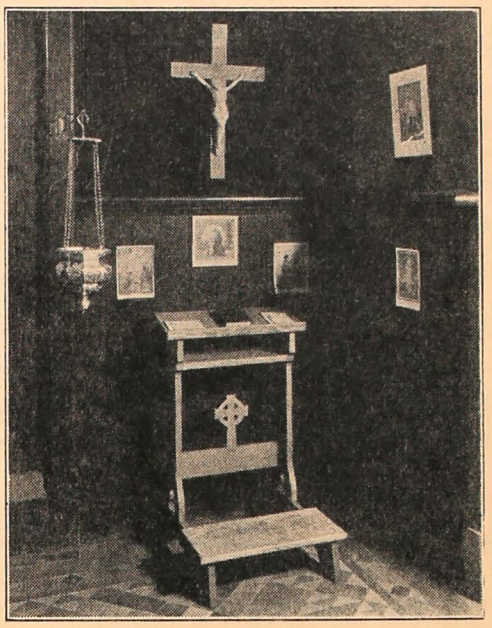

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Alleluia.

WILLIAM WORDSWORTH TAYLOR

On Friday, March 15, 1935, the Rev. William Wordsworth Taylor, retired Priest of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, passed to his reward. Tuesday, March 19, his obsequies were held in Valley Forge Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, Pa., the Rt. Rev. Francis Marion Taitt, S.T.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, officiating in the presence of many representative clergy and laity.

Courteous, kindly and tolerant in his judgment of others, he won the love and esteem of his fellow clergymen and his many friends. His consecration and devotion to his Master's work will be always remembered by those who loved him.

May he rest in peace and may life perpetual shine upon him.

JAMES H. LAMB, JR.
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MRS. EDWARD H. BONSALL

Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has taken from her family and friends, Hannah Rodney Bonsall, a noble Christian character, also a beloved and most faithful member of this board for many years.

Be it resolved that the Board of Managers of the House of Rest for the Aged, express our deep sympathy and sorrow to the members of her family, and be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to her family, and that it be spread on the minutes of the Board.

CAROLINE E. WHITNEY,
HELEN JAMES LEAR,
For the Board of Managers.

DR. JOHN WILKINSON

The following Resolution on the death, March 3, 1935, of Dr. John Wilkinson, one-time President of the Diocesan Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and a member of the Brotherhood of the Church of the Epiphany, Sherwood, was adopted at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Assembly, April 18:

WHEREAS, It has pleased God to call into His higher service our beloved brother and co-worker in the spread of Christ's Kingdom, JOHN WILKINSON, at varying times Member and Director of his Parish Chapter, President of the Diocesan Assembly of the Brotherhood, member for many years of this Executive Committee of the Assembly, and for a

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number of years a member of the National Council of the Brotherhood, and at all times the leader of a large Bible Class in his parish, the Church of the Epiphany in the Sherwood District of Philadelphia, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the present members of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Assembly of the Brotherhood, assembled on this Maundy Thursday in Lent, of 1935, do hereby express our sorrow in the passing from this life of our beloved brother, whose ability, earnestness and consecration have at all times inspired us. And be it further

RESOLVED, That this minute be spread upon the records of this Executive Committee, a copy given to the family of our departed brother, and that copies be sent to *The Epiphany Star,* THE CHURCH NEWS of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and to *Saint Andrew's Cross.*

PERCIVAL H. GRANGER,
EDMUND B. MCCARTHY,
GEORGE H. RANDALL,
Committee.

DR. JOHN WILKINSON

The sudden death of Dr. John Wilkinson on March 3 brought deep sorrow to many who knew him as their friend, comrade and leader.

From his early boyhood he took an earnest, active part in Church work, then being a member of the old Church of the Mediator. In 1904, when St. Paul's Memorial Church was organized, he became the first rector's most valuable and active worker. He served as treasurer of the Parish and director of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew for many years.

Dr. Wilkinson also gave many Bible lectures and religious talks at the Galilee Mission, Seaman's Mission, Girard College, and many other places where he could spread the Gospel.

Shortly after moving to West Philadelphia in 1921, he joined Epiphany, Sherwood Church, where, always interested and active, he helped organize a Bible Class for men and women, loyally giving his services for the past fifteen years. He was also an active member of the Men's Club and the Brotherhood.

The simple sincerity of his personal life, his unfailing goodwill and Christian personality endeared him to many.

The entire Lenten offering of Epiphany Church School this year was given as a Memorial to Dr. Wilkinson.

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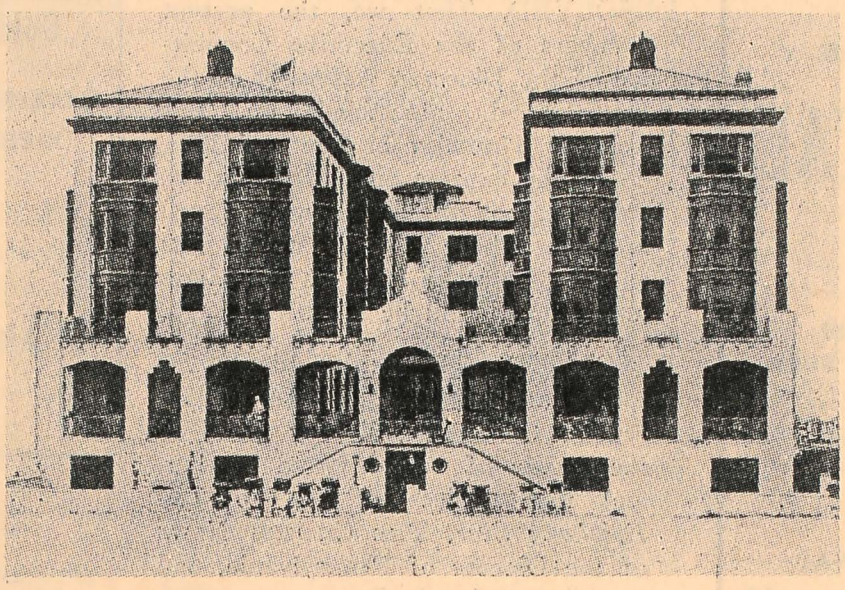

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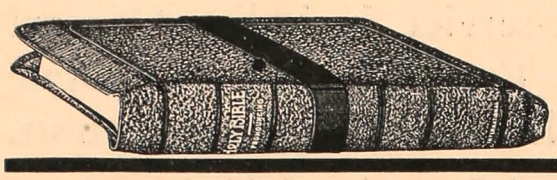

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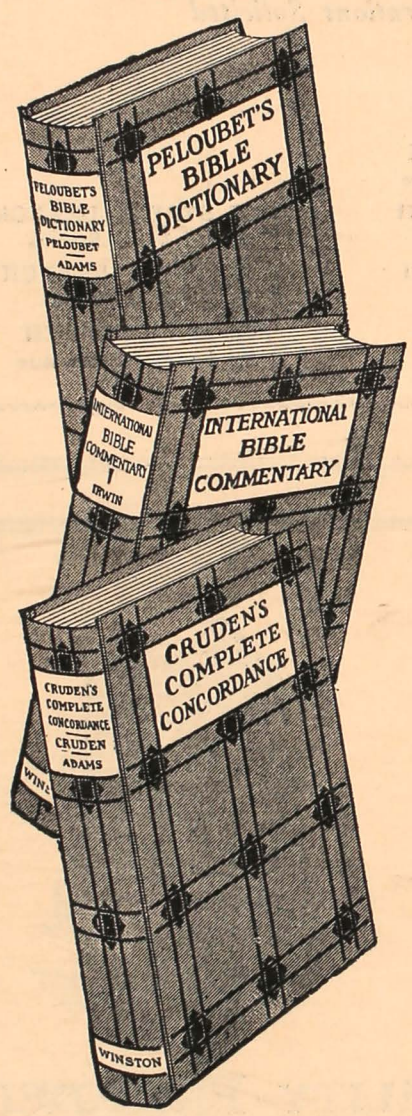

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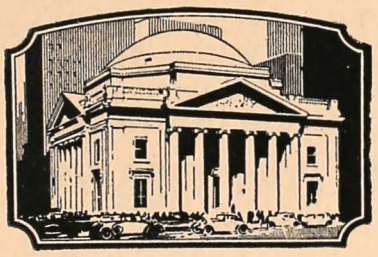

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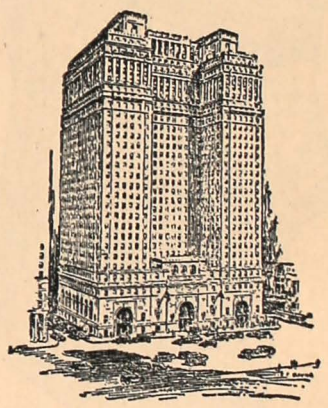

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